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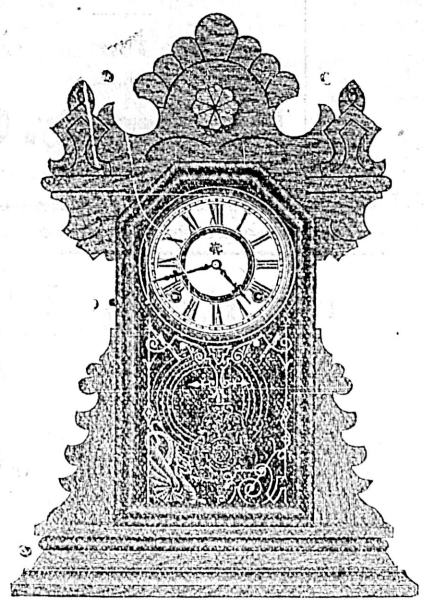

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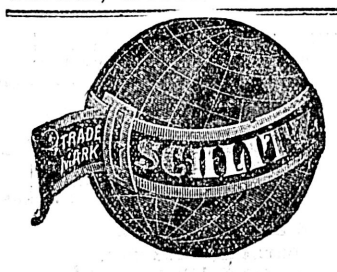

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JUST THE MAN FOR GALWAY

Devlin Warmly Greeted by Irish Members—Urges City's Claims.

Toronto, March 13.—The News' London cable says: "Charles Devlin, member-elect for Galway, was today introduced in the House of Commons by Capt. Donelan and Patrick O'Brien, Nationalist whip. He met with a hearty reception from the Irish members. Mr. Blake welcomed him warmly in the lobby, and John Redmond introduced him to the Irish members. Afterwards, in an interview in the office of the Irish whip, Devlin said he hopes to go to Canada in June and urge the claims of Galway to be the terminal port of the fast line service. In the meantime he would attend to his parliamentary duties. He has no special programme of work."

GRAND TRUNK

To Ask for Powers—Shorter Route From West Wanted.

Montreal, March 13.—The Grand Trunk Pacific today gives notice that it will ask for powers from parliament to construct a line of railway from Gravenhurst, or North Bay, to a point at or near Quebec.

S. Logan, assistant to Mr. Hays, in discussing the matter for the president, said that it was the object of the company to get a shorter route to Quebec from the West than the company now had, and that when the extension to the Pacific ocean was completed and connection made at North Bay or Gravenhurst, the Grand Trunk Pacific would be the shortest transcontinental route.

The projected line will be a saving of something line 400 miles, and it is the belief of railway men familiar with the plans of the Grand Trunk railway that the next move will be to get control of the Quebec bridge and thereafter secure running powers on the Intercolonial to the Atlantic, thereby having an all-Canadian route and thereby being in a position to seek substantial assistance from the Ottawa government.

DEVELOPMENTS AT LADYSMITH

Arrival of Organizer Baker Is Likely to Bring Matters to Focus.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, March 13.—Extension mines are absolutely idle today. No men turning out for work, the miners' train from Ladysmith was consequently cancelled and the hands at the mines laid off. The arrival of Organizer Baker, who reached here tonight and goes to Ladysmith in the morning, and the statement made by Mr. Dunsmuir and telegraphed here from Victoria, will have a tendency to define the issues at stake. Developments may be expected rapidly. It is stated on behalf of the men, that while many earn good wages, a number of miners seem to average much lower than is indicated by published statement. Since, however, Mr. Dunsmuir, on a previous occasion, remedied such a grievance, hopes are entertained that when he meets his men he will make such practical adjustments as will lead to amicable settlement, unless the men insist on joining the federation.

FREIGHT CLERKS UNDER ARREST

Winnipeg Strikers Charged With Deserting Their Employers Remanded.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Winnipeg, March 13.—Five of the striking clerks of the C. P. R. freight department were charged before Magistrate Baker with having deserted their employment. No evidence was taken in any of the cases. They were all remanded for hearing until Tuesday. There are no new developments in the strike here. Freight is being handled by officials from other departments.

A WOMAN IN THE CASE.

Burdick Was Suing His Wife for Divorce—Leaves Her Penniless.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 13.—The will of the late Edwin L. Burdick, murdered in his home on Ashland avenue on Friday, February 27, was made public today. In his will Burdick cuts off his wife, whom he was suing for divorce, without a cent. He leaves $2,500 to relatives and the rest of his property to his three children, share and share alike. The will was made on December 8, 1902. Mr. Burdick names Charles Parke and Risley Tucker, his business associates, as guardians of his three children.

In the petition for probate no definite idea of the correct valuation of Burdick's estate is given.

Old Inhabitant—I can remember when hogs ran loose on Broadway.

Young Inhabitant—They ride on the cars now.—Puck.

Parliament Proceedings

Debate on Address in Reply Concluded—House Gets to Business.

Borden Twits the Government on Its Diversity of Tariff Opinions.

Petition For Canadian Merger of Shipping Interests in Montreal.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Ont., March 13.—The debate on the address was concluded in the Commons today. Credible speeches were made by Thompson, who moved and Demers who seconded. R. L. Borden congratulated Premier Laurier on his restoration to health, and then plunged into a discussion of the Alaskan boundary question, contending the government were lacking in firmness in dealing with the matter. He also spoke on trade issue, condemned the government for permitting German goods to enter Canada under the British preference. He twitted the ministers on divergent views respecting the tariff and congratulated the government on its intention to further revoke Chinese immigration. His visit to British Columbia had showed that this being the essential wishes of the people of that province, it should have been carried out long ago. Premier Laurier replying, said the Alaska boundary treaty was fair to Canada, and only good could result. The government had secured substantial aid from the States. The question would be more fully discussed when the papers were brought from the deliberations of the colonial conference. A satisfactory report of the proceedings of which will be presented at an early date. He claimed the government's attitude on the tariff will depend on the Fielding tariff, 1897.

A petition for a Canadian shipping merger was presented today. All steamship lines making Montreal headquarters are in the deal.

The executive of the National Council of Women are meeting here today, preparing business for the annual meeting in Toronto.

It is said that Sir Wm. Van Horne will be chairman of the proposed commission on transportation.

The cost of the "Canadian Arch" in London was $2,490.

EX-NUN DIES OF CANCER.

Well Known Lecturer Dies in Hospital at Detroit.

Detroit, March 13.—It has just been learned that Margaret L. Shephard, the alleged ex-nun and anti-Catholic lecturer, died in Detroit at Harper hospital, after an illness of four weeks. The woman suffered with cancer and died in a few minutes after being taken from the operating table at the hospital.

GREAT EMIGRATION TO DOMINION

Will Seriously Affect House Letting in Edinburgh This Year.

Montreal, March 13.—The Star's London cable says: "Edinburgh and London papers say that emigration to Canada is likely to seriously affect house-letting in Edinburgh this year. More people are leaving Edinburgh for Canada this year than in the past quarter of a century."

The hull of the steamship Montreal, which was destroyed by fire, has been found to be so seriously injured that the company has abandoned it to the underwriters. Insurance is over $400,000.

It is stated here today on very high authority that Sir William Van Horne is to be asked to take the chairmanship of the royal commission, which is to study the transportation question. It is recognized that his abilities make him just the man for the position.

SQUADRON FOR HONDURAS.

U. S. Admiral Coghlan Ordered to Protect American Interests.

Washington, March 13.—Acting Secretary of the Navy Darling late this afternoon sent a cablegram to Admiral Coghlan to proceed to Honduras with his squadron to protect American interests there. The order is the outcome of a despatch received today at the State Department from Wm. C. Will, United States vice-consul at Ceiba, Honduras, announcing that Ceiba had been captured by the revolutionary forces and suggesting that a United States warship be sent to Honduras waters. The despatch was dated March 12. A request also came for similar protection from the United States consul at Puerto Cortez.

The Caribbean squadron, under command of Admiral Coghlan, has been ordered to Honduras, where the revolution is assuming serious proportions, to protect American interests. Late today Acting Secretary of the Navy Darling sent the following cable instructions to Admiral Coghlan at San Juan: "Proceed with squadron, Olympia, Panther, Marietta, Vixen, Brutus (collier). Protect American interests in Puerto Cortez and Ceciba, Honduras. Communicate with minister. Authorized to leave Vixen (tender) under commandant at San Juan."

The Navy Department decided to send Admiral Coghlan to Honduras on the theory that a flag officer present on the scene would be in a position to take such steps as may be necessary for the protection of American interests without constant reference to the department here. The presence of a squadron instead of a single ship, it was thought, also would have a salutary effect.

FAST IN THE ICE.

Two Government Steamers in Dangerous Positions.

Halifax, N. S., March 13.—A diver from Hillsboro has gone to raise the government steamers Minto and Stanley, fast in the ice. He will repair the Minto's propeller blades and endeavor to break up the ice by the use of dynamite.

THE FAST CANADIAN SERVICE.

C. P. R. Would Build Twenty-Knot Steamers if Given Contract.

Montreal, March 13.—The Witness' London cable says: "Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, who reached here today says that if the C. P. R. is given the fast Atlantic contract, it will build 20-knotters for the Canada-Britain service."

GENERAL PLUMER'S VIEWS.

Militia Should Be Officered by Men of the Imperial Army.

London, March 13.—Gen Plumer, in speaking before the war commission today, said that to get full value of the Colonial forces, they must have Imperial officers and commandants. Colonial governments, however, should have the power of dismissing these officers.

TREASURER IN TROUBLE.

Government Official in Manila Tries to Commit Suicide.

Manila, March 13.—Bartlet Sinclair, treasurer of Rizel province, attempted to commit suicide today by taking poison in the office of the Attorney-General, when informed that the government intended to prosecute him for neglecting his office and permitting the peculation of funds. Sinclair's books were found to be in a muddled state. The authorities have been investigating for months a shortage of several thousand dollars, but it is not believed Sinclair took any money. Four of his subordinates have been arrested on the charge of embezzlement.

GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC DEAL COMPLETED.

Toronto, March 13.—The Grand Trunk Pacific deal is practically completed. The company will take over the Canada Athlantic and Parry Sound Railways as well as the Ontario government road from North Bay, paying the province a good price for the latter, and build to the West as soon as possible. The company will also build a line through to Nelson.

STRIKERS' MEETING AT WINNIPEG

Slim Attendance and But Little Interest Taken in the Matter.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Winnipeg, Man., March 13—The meeting last night to discuss the C. P. R. situation was very slimly attended, and beyond the fact that it seems to have been called in sympathy with the strike at Vancouver, very few appeared to know what it was about.

The railway company is much incensed at the strikers, among whom are a number of clerks who have gone out without a minutes notice with a view to embarrassing it, and it is stated that the clerical staff who may have access to papers of a confidential nature will not hereafter be permitted to belong to unions. A railway official here stated that as the officers of the road are almost invariably recruited from the clerical staff, and the clerks being usually students with bright prospects, it was a big mistake for these young men to lose their chances for the future through being led away by professional and disgruntled agitators who masquerade as organizers.

SEVERE WEATHER IN INTERIOR.

Horses Dying Fast—Stock May Suffer Unless Weather Moderates

Kamloops, March 13.—This vicinity is experiencing one of the coldest waves for this time of the year in the history of the country. At 7 this morning it was 7 below zero. At Nicola it was 28 below. Reports from the Nicola country state that horses are dying fast, and the loss out there will be great if the weather does not soon moderate. Cattle seem to be holding their own, but feed is getting very scarce, and unless the weather soon abates it is estimated the loss among cattle will also be great.

GERMAN DOCK LABORERS

Consider Proposition to Strike Because of Dismissal of Foreman.

Berlin, March 13.—The dock laborers who handle the freight of the North German Lloyd steamers at Bremen, have been holding meetings trying to decide whether to strike or not because the members of the deputation recently sent to protest to the company's officials against the dismissal of one of the foremen, was also discharged in consequence of their having questioned the truthfulness of the company's statements. The company does not employ the dockmen direct. All the wharf work is done by two contractors.

FRASER RIVER FROZEN OVER

First Time in History Since 1862 at This Season of the Year.

From Our Own Correspondent.

New Westminster, March 13.—The sharp frost the last two nights following a heavy snowfall has produced considerable ice in upper reaches of the Fraser, and navigation is temporarily suspended. Not since 1862 has the river been frozen over in March.

His Lordship Bishop Dart has returned with his family from the East Nearly a year since the bishop was laid up en route to the Congress of Bishops by an accident on the railway near Port Arthur, followed by illness.

There is said to be trouble brewing on the board of the Royal Columbia hospital, and things will be brought to a focus as soon as Mayor Keary has resigned from the secretaryship, a position he has held for many years. Reckless expenditures are alleged to have been incurred without the full sanction of the board, and the secretary's resignation is taken as a protest.

Nance O'Neill played "Magda" to a full house last night.

Thrilling Tale Of the Seas

Told By Shipwrecked Crew of the Sealer George W. Prescott.

Capt. Ramlose Gave Up Hope Tried to Drown When Overboard.

Trying Episodes in Connection With Loss of Victoria Schooner.

The loss of the sealing schooner George W. Prescott during the terrific hurricane which prevailed off the Columbia river on Tuesday evoked many thrilling experiences—her company having suffered great hardships, and only baffled death by their grim persistence. Capt. Ramlose, and William Hallgren and Victor Gullin, his associates in the season's work; Frank Le Strange, the cook, and 13 Indians, arrived home by the steamer Majestic yesterday, and the tale they told of the wreck of the schooner George W. Prescott, the smallest schooner of the fleet, was one replete with thrilling episodes.

The schooner sailed from Victoria on January 12, and after shipping a crew of Barkley Sound Indians, she started her cruise on February 4. She was sealing on the 5th and 6th and for the next week a heavy gale rendered sealing an impossibility. From then on the weather was fairly good, and the canoes brought in 81 skins to March 9, when the glass fell rapidly and the weather began to "breeze-up." The schooner was hove to about 32 miles West Southwest of Cape Disappointment—off the Columbia—at 1:30 a. m. on Tuesday last, the 10th, with a double reefed fore-sail, storm trysail and a little of the head staysail set. She had oil bags out, for the sea was by that time running to a great height—a heavy confused cross sea and the wind was blowing a full hurricane from the Southeast. It was blowing at a terrific velocity—for as was reported from the lookout station at the time at the mouth of the Columbia, the hurricane reached a velocity of 76 miles an hour.

Capt. Emil Ramlose was at the wheel, and three Indians were with him on deck. Capt. Victor Gullin had been on watch until midnight and the master, Emil Ramlose, had relieved him then. Gullin and Hallgren, the mate, were sleeping on lockers below, and the cook, LeStrange, was in his birth—the Indians, other than the three on deck were below forward. The schooner was lifting with the great waves, and laboring considerably, groaning as the seas struck the hull, despite the fact that the oil bags were hung over the sides. The wheel strained, and Capt. Ramlose was tugging at it when a huge sea broke under the port side, for the full length of the schooner, and in an instant the schooner capsized.

The vessel turned turtle, sinking her masts and having her keel uttermost. Capt. Ramlose and the Indians were thrown overboard, and everything moveable swept from the decks, boats, hatches, everything that was not fastened, was carried away, and much of that which was fastened. When Capt. Ramlose was swept overboard he was still clutching the broken-off wheel, and he held the wheel in hand as he drifted and came up about 70 feet to the windward of the wrecked schooner, which righted itself immediately. Masts gone, bulwarks gone, her decks swept and the waterlogged schooner within a foot of the surface, it seemed hopeless to endeavor to regain her, and he threw up his hands and sank. He went down twice and then clutched a wire—a piece of the wrecked rigging, the touch of which caused him to endeavor to save himself and he was rescued after being in the chilling water for ten or fifteen minutes. Two of the Indians were also rescued, but one, Joe Williams, of Uchucklesset, was drowned after a desperate, but vain, struggle to reach the vessel.

While the schooner was bottom side up—it was but a few seconds, although it seemed like hours—there was a thrilling time on board the vessel as well as in the sea nearby, where the unfortunates who had been swept from the engulfed deck were struggling for life in the ice-cold waters. Everything moveable in the cabin was overturned. The stove fell over, striking Victor Gullin on the head and stunning him. When he came to, he was dazed and but semi-conscious for two hours. The sea had swept in and half-filled the cabin, and Hallgren and the cook were tumbled from their sleeping places. Gullin was dazed, and the other two lifted him from the floor where he had fallen. He came to quickly, although he did not regain his senses, and the three scrambled to the deck—the Indians having struggled up on deck from the foc-sle.

The schooner was rolling from beam to beam by this time, the great seas and clouds of spume sweeping over her. All were drenched to the skin. Below everything was adrift and sweeping about, and Gullin, not knowing what he was doing, began to bale and work at the tangled wreckage. He had been working for two hours before he fully recovered from the effects of the blow he had received, and came to, to find himself baling away at the water. Hallgren and two of the Indians—the others had lost their tum-tum and were paralysed with fright—were working hard from the time they reached the deck to clear the wreckage. Ramlose, the captain, had been dragged on board by an Indian from near the bow, to which he had worked his way, hauling himself toward the schooner by the wire he had clutched as he went overboard. The Indian thought he was rescuing a fellow native, for when he saw Capt. Ramlose coming over the rail he said that if he had known it was a white man he would have let him drown.

The Indians had also grasped the wreckage, rigging, etc., and struggled towards the schooner, being hauled on board by their fellows before Capt. Ramlose had regained the schooner. Joe Williams was unable to do so. He was seen clinging to a piece of wreckage and a rope was thrown to him, but he was too exhausted to catch it, and he sank. The Captain, as soon as he regained the schooner, his face cut—his cheek still bears an ugly scar—and his arms and legs cut and bruised by the wreckage, aided in the work of cutting away the wreckage, and after a time some of the Indians were induced to work, but the majority were too frightened to do anything except Tommy Billy of Alberni, and John Jackson of Uchucklesset, both of whom worked like heroes.

Some went below to endeavor to shift the ballast, for the schooner, partially filled with water, had a bad list to port. Her port side—the rail having been carried away—was under water, and the starboard side of her deck was not more than a foot above water. Others began throwing overboard every-

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Warm Time In Toronto

Galleries Crowded and Witness Lively Passages Between Legislators.

Bribery, Intimidation, Perjury and Subornation Used in Elections.

Whitney Shakes His Clenched Fist at Premier---House Adjourns.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Toronto, March 13.—The galleries in the legislature were again crowded this evening, and the debate on Gamey's charges was resumed. Immediately after the proceedings of the House were finished, Mr. Whitney rose to call the attention of the House to the misrepresentation of the remarks of the Globe this morning. Mr. Whitney asked if the Premier were going to explain the contents of the commission, and the latter said the information would be given. The Premier was then asked regarding a division. "There may be a division on Tuesday," he said in an inquiring tone. "Not before that?" was Mr. Whitney's answer. Sutherland continued his speech of the afternoon previous. He referred to Premier Ross' declaration that the government would govern as honest men or not at all. He said he wished he could believe the hon. gentleman was sincere. Shortly after Coronation, Premier Ross had said that his course was to fight. There never were much evil powers used in the history of this country as were used in the riding he had the honor to represent. These powers were bribery, intimidation, perjury, subornation, and things too low to mention. Dr. Reaume, Conservative for North Essex, referred to the names of a number of Liberal organizers and others who had assisted in the various campaigns, mentioning the names of Smith, Vance, Preston and O'Gorman. He would not forget to mention the latter, because there had been complaints about him in his own riding. There were lots of others. Pettipiece, Liberal for East Lambton, quoted the Mail's report of Whitney's speech, to show that the expression "loaded dice" was used. Whitney objected strongly. Whitney said the hon. gentleman had no right to do it, and the hon. gentlemen have not loaded themselves with glory. (Opposition applause.)

Premier Ross—"Is that the statement of my hon. friend? The hon. member for Lambton has not made any statement."

Mr. Whitney—"You dare not!"

Premier Ross—"My hon. friend is very bold today. What does he mean? Is he going to play the role of prize fighter in this House?"

Mr. Whitney—"That is my attitude."

The opposition leader here shook his clenched fist in the direction of the Premier.

Premier Ross—"The clenched fist is his attitude. I thank him for his recognition of recent parliamentary rules."

J. W. St. John moved the adjournment of the debate, and the House sits again Monday. The opposition have refused to pair.

The Evening Mail and Empire says that much apprehension exists for the personal safety of R. R. Gamey, member for Manitoulin. Friends openly announce that his protection has become an absolute necessity. Gamey has received many anonymous letters, which, if not directly threatening violence, refer to him in most uncomplimentary language. One, signed "John MacDonald," wrote on a postal, telling Gamey that he had acted like a whiskey informer.

CONSERVATIVES CHOOSE BLAKE

Counsel to Prosecute Charges of Bribery Made by Gamey.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Toronto, March 13.—It is currently reported today that the Conservatives have returned S. H. Blake, K. C., as one of their counsel in the investigation of the Gamey bribery charges against the Hon. J. R. Stratton. Sir John Boyd and Chief Justice Falconbridge are mentioned as the probable commission in the event of Mr. Ross' resolution being adopted.

VICTORIA'S REPRESENTATIVE.

Tourist Association's Ambassador Does Good Work in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, March 13.—Herbert Cuthbert, representing the Victoria Tourist Association, who has been doing good work here, left today for St. Paul

MAD MULLAH DEFEATED.

Reported to Have Lost Heavily and Retaliates on Abyssinians.

Aden, Arabia, March 11.—Advices received from Obbia, Somaliland, say that during the recent fight between the followers of the Mad Mullah and the Abyssinian forces co-operating with the British, the former lost a thousand men. The Mullah, it was added, is maintaining his authority with ruthless severity, cutting the throats of malcontents and mutilating women and children

MURDER NO CRIME.

Judge Holds Prisoner Justified in Defending Wife's Honor.

Butte, Mont., March 11.—Walter Brooks, who broke into the room of Emery Chevrier, a barber, six weeks ago, and finding his wife on Chevrier's knee, shot him dead, was today convicted of manslaughter.

In his instructions to the jury, Judge McClernan declared that under the circumstances Brooks was justified in breaking into Chevrier's room, and that seeing his wife's honor in danger, was justified in taking measures to protect himself and her.

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THE GILT EDGE PROMOTER.

Whittaker Wright Still Earning an International Reputation.

London, March 12.—According to a financial paper, Whittaker Wright, the director of the London & Globe Finance Corporation Ltd., for whose arrest a warrant was issued yesterday, following the order of the Chancery Court to criminally prosecute him, and who is said to be in Egypt, secured American citizenship while engaged in business enterprises in Philadelphia and elsewhere. Those who are interested in the prosecution tell the Associated Press that this is the first they have heard of Wright being an American citizen, although they knew he went to America as a young man. Wright is believed to have been born in Cheshire, England.

It is pointed out that providing Wright should prove his American citizenship, his extradition could not be secured by the British government without the consent of the State Department at Washington

According to the St. James Gazette, Whittaker Wright, the company promoter, for whose arrest a warrant has been issued, is a born American, but is believed to be a naturalized British subject.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 12.—The name of Whittaker Wright does not appear upon the records of the naturalization court here, and there is nothing to indicate that he even took out his first papers.

CZAR'S GIFT OF FREEDOM

Russia's Most Liberal Measure Since Emancipation of the Serfs.

St. Petersburg, March 13.—The Czar has issued a decree providing for freedom of religion throughout his dominions, establishing to some degree local self-government and making other concessions to the village committees.

After referring to the efforts of his predecessors, particularly his father, to add to the welfare of the Russian people, the Czar announced his decision to grant freedom of religion to all his subjects who profess non-orthodox creeds, and to improve the conditions of village life and those of the local nobility and peasantry. Among the measures outlined by the Czar for the attainment of these ends is reform of the rural laws, which is to be effected with the advice of persons who possess the confidence of the people. The system of administration in the governments and districts is to be examined by representatives of the different localities concerned with the view of effecting the necessary amendments.

Measures are also to be taken to relieve the peasantry of the burdens of forced labor.

The decree, which was issued in commemoration of the anniversary of the birthday of Alexander III., is considered to be the most significant act of state since the emancipation of the serfs. The public hail it as the proclamation of a new era, opening up bright prospects of the early improvement of Russian internal administration.

SUPPRESSING A CONSUL.

U. S. Representative at Montreal Asked to Vacate Because of Popularity.

Washington, March 13.—U. S. Consul John T. Bittinger at Montreal has been invited to resign. He will be succeeded by Major A. W. Edwards, a North Dakota newspaper man. Consul Bittinger, while on a leave of absence at his home in St. Louis, talked very freely of the relations between the United States and Canada. This was well received in Canada, and has led to the present action.

ISLAND OF NEW SIBERIA.

Return of Toll's Scientific Expedition to Siberian Coast.

St. Petersburg, March 13.—Barnia, the zoologist of the Baron Toll expedition, who left the expedition's yacht Zaria in May with three others to engage in scientific research in New Siberia, has arrived at Irkutsk (a city of Eastern Siberia, 20 miles from Lake Baikal). The expedition, headed by Baron Toll, is exploring the Siberian coast line. It was reported on November 23 to have been cut off from the coast by early winter ice in New Siberia, and on February 21 the Imperial Academy of Science at St. Petersburg decided to send an expedition to search for Baron Toll and his companions.

THE FRENCH CHAMBERS.

Still Discussing the Subject of the Religious Congregations.

Paris, March 13.—The Chamber of deputies was again crowded today by persons anxious to hear the debate on Premier Combs' motion to refuse the request for authorization to teach made by 54 male religious congregations. The discussion, while animated, was confined to some minor phases. M. Aynard, Progressive Republican, spoke at much length against the proposition.

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BOUNDARY ORE OUTPUT

Magnificent Showing for Week in Spite of Number of Stoppages.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Phoenix, March 13.—With the Mother Lode smelter cold all the past week, and the Sunset smelter closed the latter part of the week, the ore tonnage of Boundary mines average over 1,000 tons daily for the seven days that shipments were made. The Granby smelter has been running but two furnaces of late, and that company's mines put out the following amounts of ore for the last week: Granby mines to Granby smelter, 5,210 tons; Snowshoe mines to Sunset smelter, 960 tons; B. C. Mine to Sunset smelter, 540 tons; Emma mine to Nelson smelter, 330 tons. Total for the week, 7,040 tons; total for the year 1903 to date, 115,357 tons. The Granby smelter this week treated 5,000 tons of ore, making a total for the year of 67,584 tons.

FIFTEEN KILLED IN MINE

Explosion at Caediff, Ill., Results in Many Deaths.

Springfield, Ill., March 13.—Fifteen men have lost their lives in an explosion in a mine at Caediff, Livingstone county, according to a telegram received by Secretary Ryan, of the United Mine Workers. Three bodies are reported as having been recovered so far. There is little hope for the other 112.

ROBBED THE DEAD.

Wealthy Planter Dies in Quarantine and Large Sum Stolen from Body

New York, March 13.—Antonio Balens, a Brazilian, arrived at quarantine from Bahia on Wednesday's steamer. He was suffering from a fever and died yesterday. A Belgian girl and two children, who are relatives of Balens, were taken to Ellis Island today, where the girl told the authorities that Balens was a rich planter and that he carried a satchel containing several thousand dollars. The satchel and its contents, however, have mysteriously disappeared, and the authorities have found no trace of them. The girl said she expected to marry Balens.

CREAMERY FOR SALT SPRING.

Meeting of Residents Decide to Incorporate —Fruit Packing Discussed.

Salt Spring Island, March 13.—There was a most successful and encouraging meeting held on Salt Spring Island on Wednesday, 11th March, when about 40 farmers came through snow and slush to show their appreciation of the chance offered them of establishing a creamery for Salt Spring on the same lines as the Victoria & Cowichan creameries. Mr. A. Walter, J. P., was voted to the chair, and business was at once got down to. Dr. Tolmie gave a most encouraging address and told the farmers he was certain they were doing the right thing in establishing a creamery for the Island. He then dwelt upon the importance of keeping stables perfectly clean, and sending the cream to the creamery in the most perfect condition possible.

The feeling of the meeting was then taken, and it was carried by all present in favor of the scheme. A committee was then formed to canvass the district and report the number of cows forthcoming, also the number of shares applied for. The site for the creamery was also left to the committee to report upon. The committee consists of five members, two for Ganges Harbor, two for Fulford Harbor and Burgoyne, and one to canvass Mayne, Saturna and Pender Islands.

The matters of co-operation in fruit packing and marketing, and also erecting a saw mill for Salt Spring, stood in abeyance for the present, but all present expressed their willingness to support the schemes.

The next creamery meeting will be held at Ganges Harbor on Saturday, 28th March at 1:30 p. m.

A vote of thanks to Dr. Tolmie closed the first Salt Spring creamery meeting, which proved a far greater success than was anticipated.

FRESHMAN AT GHOULS' WORK

Student of Queen's University Caught Robbing Graves, Companion Escapes.

Kingston, March 13.—A freshman of Queen's University, giving his name as Hutton, is under arrest at Lansdowne, having been caught attempting to rob a grave in the cemetery. His companion escaped, leaving his overcoat behind. The information which lead to the arrest was telephoned to Kingston to a constable at Lansdowne by a fellow student. The student body of Queen's are investigating, and when one guilty of giving information is discovered he will be forced to give up his studies at Queen's, and all other colleges will be apprised of his act.

C.P.R. STRIKERS BACK TO WORK

Clerks in Main Office at Desks Again and Others Will Follow.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, B. C., March 13.—Several original strikers in the C. P. R. went back to work in the main offices today. They say many more will follow. The action of the master teamsters in delivering freight has discouraged strikers somewhat. Most of the teams out today are manned by non-union men.

The strike situation today, otherwise shows little change. The master teamsters worked hard yesterday, bringing goods to the various stores from the C. P. R. In several cases the union men employed in these stores declared they would go on strike if the master teamsters handled the goods that were opened, and the cases were accordingly returned to the Canadian Pacific warehouses. The strikers' meeting last night was largely attended, but no action was taken.

EARTHQUAKE AT SEATTLE

People Rush Into Streets Badly Scared by Severe Shocks.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Seattle, March 13.—Two distinct earthquake shocks swept over Western Washington this evening. Reports from Olympia, Aberdeen, Tacoma and smaller cities, state that buildings rocked and dishes were thrown to the floor. People rushed wildly into the streets.

Men's and youth's fine business suits half price for cash until after stocktaking. B. Williams & Co.

FIRST COURT OF THE SEASON

Their Majesties Hold a Brilliant Function at Buckingham Palace.

London, March 13.—The first Court of the season was held at Buckingham Palace tonight. It was a brilliant function. Over 900 persons assembled in the Throne room, all the embassies and legations being well represented. Their Majesties, after the presentation, reverted to the former custom of allowing the guests to file past the Royal dais, which arrangement avoided an unpleasant crush in the supper room. The King and Queen remained seated while the company filed past.

Ernie—How funny! Mabel married the son of a minister and Gertrude married a gambler.

May—Who did Sally marry?

Ernie—Oh, I believe she wedded a spiritualist.

May—H'm! Suppose she wanted a medium.—Chicago News

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Spring, Spring, yes, beautiful Spring,
The carpenters are busy like everything,
When they need any hammers, chisels or screws,
They get them at Shore's, and they're ne'er in the blues,
For he has them in grades to suit every man's pocket,
Safes, door knobs and locks, and keys for to lock them.
All kinds of levels, measures, hatchets and nails,
Enameled cups, saucers, plates and lunch pails,
Braces and bits, your holes for to bore,
You can get every one of them from Sidney shore.

Spring, Spring, yes, Spring again,
The painters now have no cause to complain,
For brushes, stains, sand-paper and turpentine,
For white leads, paints, in powder, and kalsomine;
For putty, mixed paints, oils, varnishes and shellacs galore,
Best qualities are all got from Sidney Shore.

Spring into my wagon, said the farmer to his wife,
Spring, spring, gentle spring for your life!
For my men must not wait to begin their spring work,
For our tools are all poor to go with a jerk.
We'll drive like the wind and get saws, shovels and picks,
Axes, crowbars, rope, tackel, oh yes, and lamp wicks,
Hay-rakes, hose, pitchforks, scythes, pruning knives and seed sowers,
Churns, beer kegs, kitchen cutlery, all are all at Sidney Shore's.

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DIED.

GOWDY—In this city on the 13th inst. Thomas, eldest son of Mrs. Mary and the late William Gowdy, a native of Ontario, aged 47 years.

The funeral will take place from the family residence, No. 31 Rock Bay avenue, on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p. m.

Friends please accept this intimation.

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A. ST. G. FLINT, Secretary.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Private Bill Notice

The time limit by the rules of the House for receiving petitions for private bills will expire on the 11th day of April, 1903.

Bills must be presented to the House not later than the 23rd day of April, 1903.

Reports from Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 30th day of April, 1903.

Dated this 27th day of February, 1903.

THORNTON FELL,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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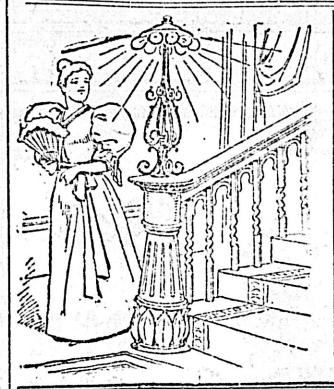

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Along The Waterfront

Japanese Sealer Had a Rough Passage Homeward to the Orient.

Light Sealing Catches Reported Off the Coast—Many Liners Coming.

Sealing schooner Siefu Maru, the Japanese schooner which arrived here in November in distress being unable to reach Hakodate, her home port, arrived at the Bonin island from Victoria on February 12, short of provisions, and after a trying passage. The prospects appeared so gloomy that one of the sealers who joined her in Victoria, in writing spoke of his intention to enclose his letter in a bottle when 500 miles from Port Lloyd, as he feared the vessel would not make port. When the Seifu Maru left Victoria she ran into a terrific gale off Cape Flattery, her boats being all smashed, and she afterwards put into San Juan to make repairs before resuming her passage.

There was a four-masted schooner, lumber laden, which was lying on her beam, laboring heavily in the gale off the entrance to the Straits. She was flying signals of distress and her crew could be seen jettisoning the lumber cargo. The sealers could not get near her and did not learn her name. This vessel was reported at the time by an inbound bark, and it was afterwards reported that she had been sighted, so the vessel weathered the storm.

The Siefu Maru was 72 days from Victoria to the Bonin island port, and she had food for but 50 days, so that rations became very short before she anchored at Port Lloyd. The water had all but given out, and they had but one sack of flour when 400 miles off port, and ten days store of water. Some sharks were captured and these furnished food for the crew. There were several Japanese sick as a result of the lack of good rice to feed them on arrival at the Bonin islands.

The schooner had been given up as lost by the people of the Bonin's, and there was great joy when she arrived. The ship's company did not think they would ever reach port during some of the blows encountered en route. She reached the latitude of Honolulu on November 9, and had fair winds to the 180th meridian, and then for 11 days they had breeze after breeze, being 11 days in going 200 miles. Their stores gave out soon after this, and they were still 400 miles off port when they got down to their last sack of flour.

The writer, Tony Burke, a well known Victoria sealer, joined the vessel here with several other Victorians, and it is expected that he will be given a schooner on arrival at Hakodate. As will be remembered De Beck and De Witt, two former Victorians who were among the crew carried when the Seifu Maru left Japan, left her at Attu islands last fall and are still there awaiting her arrival during the coming season. They were afraid to go further in her after the experiences last fall during the storms encountered after leaving Behring Sea.

LINERS COMING.

Many Big Oriental Steamers Now En Route to Victoria.

The big steamer Shawmut, of the Boston S. S. Company left Yokohama on Sunday last for this port, and is due at the Outer docks from the ports of the Orient on Sunday, the 22nd, according to sailing advices issued from the office of the local agent, per Norman, Hardie of Dodwell & Co. Advices have also been issued that the Blue Funnel steamer Achilles, of the Ocean S. S. Company left Yokohama for Victoria two days after the Shawmut, and she is due here on March 24. The Achilles is coming from Liverpool. The steamer Tartar, of the C. P. R., is also en route, having left Yokohama on March 7. She is due here on Friday next. The Iyo Maru is also on the way, she having sailed from Yokohama with the Achilles, and is due on the same date, March 24. The steamer Pleaides, of the Boston Tugboat Company, is due now from the Orient, having sailed from Yokohama on February 24.

OVERDUE ARRIVES.

Rene Kerviler, Reinsured at 85 Per Cent. at Sydney.

The long overdue bark Rene Kerviler has arrived at Sydney, and there is joy among reinsurance speculators who played the French bark "to arrive" at 85 per cent., the reinsurance quoted on the tardy sailer. She was 135 days out from Zanzibar for Hobart, a passage that should have been covered in far less than half the time, when she reached Sydney. She was reported spoken a short time ago, and the rate was reduced to 20 per cent. in consequence. The vessel was crossed off the list at San Francisco on Wednesday. There was quite a lot of speculation on the vessel. The remaining overdues, with their rates of reinsurance, are as follows: Laura, 162 days from San Francisco for London, 10 per cent.; Vendee, 116 days from Barrow for Townsville, Australia, 15 per cent.; Salopia, 29 days from Norfolk for Antwerp, 75 per cent.; Loyalist, 21 days from London for Halifax, 6 per cent.; Gut Heil, 23 days from Shields for Philadelphia, 6 per cent.; Burgermeister Peterson, 22 days from Shields for New York, 6 per cent.; Prince Eugene, 28 days from Darien for Swansea, 20 per cent.; Zanzibar, 18 days from Blyth for New Haven, 6 per cent; Scholar, 32 days from Galveston for Liverpool, 6 per cent.; Sloterdyk, 32 days from Rotterdam for Newport News, 40 per cent.; Prince George, 201 days from Rio Janeiro for Hongay, 30 per cent.

SEALER'S CATCHES.

Casco Had 112 on Monday—Others Reported With Small Takes.

The sealing schooner Casco has been reported off the Southern coast with 112 skins. The schooner, which sailed from Victoria with a full crew of white hunters in charge of Capt. Munro on January 15, called into Drake's bay for water on March 9. Telegrams were received yesterday from San Francisco by the Victoria Sealing Company giving her catch.

The shipwrecked crew of the schooner George W. Prescott, who arrived yesterday, report that several of the schooners spoken by them shortly before the storm in which the schooner was lost had not secured large catches. The schooner Allie I. Algar, which sailed from Victoria on January 18 was spoken on March 2 with but six skins.

The Annie E. Paint, Capt. R. McKiel, which sailed on February 6, was spoken on March 8—a day before the gale in which the Prescott was wrecked. She had 12 skins then. The schooner Penelope, Capt. G. Heater, which sailed on January 22 was spoken a few days before with 24 skins, and the Umbrina was seen at the beginning of March. As the whalers would put it—she had clean decks. The schooner G. W. Prescott had taken 81 skins when she was lost, and 29 of these were recovered.

THE ALSTERNIXIE.

Contract For Repairs to the Hull of the Bark Will Be Let Monday.

The contract for the repairs to the hull of the German bark Alsternixie will be let on Monday, according to Capt. Amhagen, master of the bark. As was stated yesterday the damage which resulted from the stranding of the vessel on February 9, off the Columbia, was not as great as was expected. The work on the double plates, stanchions, etc—the contract secured by the Albion Iron Works some days ago—is being carried out very satisfactorily. This contract involves about $2,600. The one to be let on Monday will probably be somewhat larger. The Alsternixie is chartered to load lumber at Portland for Tsingtau, China, and she will tow to the Columbia after being repaired at Esquimalt.

STRIKE ON CHARMER.

Crew Walked Out, But Returned to Work Shortly Afterwards.

There was a strike on board the steamer Charmer last night in sympathy with the movement precipitated by the U. R. B. E. at Vancouver against the C. P. R. The deck hands and firemen went out as soon as the local freight had been handled, leaving the other freight brought by the steamer, which was not much, untouched. A meeting was held and the firemen and deck hands decided that they would go out rather than move the "scab" baggage, that is, the baggage which was hauled or checked by those who had filled the places of the strikers in Vancouver. The strike was a short-lived one, however, and the steamer went out at her usual time this morning. Capt. J. W. Troup, manager of the C. P. N. Company was informed of the movement, and he met a deputation of the strikers, and an agreement was made whereby the men agreed to return to work, it being agreed that they were not to be asked to move the baggage and freight hauled, or checked by non-union men who had filled the striker's places. The steamer is bringing very little freight these days on account of the strike.

WILL SAIL TODAY.

Princess May Will Sail Shortly After Noon For Skagway.

Steamer Princess May of the C. P. N. Company, which is being repaired on the dry dock at Esquimalt, will arrive at Turner-Beeton's wharf this morning and will load her freight and sail for Skagway about noon. The steamer has been cleaned and painted at Esquimalt and two new propellors have been placed on the vessel.

The steamer Danube, Capt. Hughes, is due from Naas, Skidegate and way ports. She is to sail North again on Monday.

MARINE NOTES.

It is generally believed that some mistake must have been made by the weather observer at Point Reyes, who reported sighting the steam schooner in distress a few days ago, for investigation by tugs sent to the scene and from other sources has failed to show any sign of a wreck, and all the vessels believed to be in the locality at the time, having been accounted for, fears have been allayed.

An investigation into the Valancia-Georgia collision at Seattle has been commenced at that port before Capts. Bryant and Cherry, who recently made up their differences.

The new lighthouse tender Heather, built by the Moran shipyards at a cost of $150,000, had a successful trial trip on Thursday, developing 12 knots, and she left for Astoria yesterday from Port Angeles, whither she ran on her trial.

The steamer Princess Louise took up one thousand boxes of tin to the Fraser river canneries, ex ship Bankleigh yesterday.

British steamer Royalist, which brought sugar to Vancouver some time ago, is bringing a cargo of steel rails from Antwerp for San Francisco.

Steamer Norman Isles, which brought a cargo of rails to Portland, is due at Comox for bunker coal.

The British ship, Red Rock, which was on the overdue list two years ago, when carrying salmon from Victoria to Liverpool, is on berth at Newcastle, N. S. W., for Portland. She sailed from Table bay for Newcastle on January 27.

The list of overdues at the Merchants' Exchange has been reduced by the crossing off of the Ulunda, Persiana, St Andrew, Sierra Cordova, Eirion and Tasman, all of which arrived at their destinations. The rate on the Rene Kerviler dropped to 10 per cent, and the rate on the steamer Salopia was advanced to 70 per cent. The latter is out twenty-eight days from Norfolk for Antwerp.

Sailors recently on the battleship Oregon, who arrived yesterday on the steamer Coptic on sick leave, reported that the Oregon was in a terrific storm on February 20, while en route from Yokohama to Woosung, says the San Francisco Chronicle. The boats were carried away, the large seven-ton launch was tossed out of its davits and against the turrets, and other damage done, though the ship herself sustained very little damage. The Oregon, some months ago, while on her way from Honolulu to Yokohama, was considerably battered by a series of great gales.

The steamer Alki, of the Pacific Coast Steamship company, will come to Sayward's wharf on her next trip north to load lumber.

The new Pacific mail steamer, Siberia, sailed from San Francisco Wednesday with 182 passengers, including J. D. Farrell, vice-president of the Great Northern Steamship company.

The new lighthouse tended, Heather, built at the Moran yards at Seattle, had her trial trip yesterday. She will go to Portland today or tomorrow to be commissioned. Captain Gregory will command the vessel.

The British ship, Bardowie, left San Francisco on Wednesday for the Royal Roads, and the ship, Glory of the Seas, sailed from the Golden Gate on the same day for Comox.

The salmon ship Aberfoyle was again spoken on January 15, in 25 S and 31 W.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

Seattle—March 12, arrived, str Montara, from San Francisco; str Charles Nelson, from San Francisco; str Conemaugh, from San Francisco. March 11, arrived, str Bertha from Valdez.

Port Hadlock—March 12, sailed during the night, Ger str Totmes for Hamburg.

Port Ludlow—March 11, sailed schr Robert Searles, for Haiphong.

San Francisco—March 11, sailed, at 5.30 p m., str Rainier, for Seattle; March 12, arrived, str James Dollar, from Seattle; str Columbia, from Portland; sailed, schr Lizzie Advance, for Grays harbor; str Queen, for Victoria; str Katluk, waiting; str Wyefield, for Nanaimo; str Corona, for Grays harbor.

Tacoma—March 12, arrived, Br sh Afghanistan, from San Francisco.

Roche Harbor—March 12, sailed, bg W. G. Irwin, for San Francisco.

Astoria—Sailed, Br sh Hutton Hill, for Melbourne; Ger bk Bille, for Mossel bay.

Manila—Arrived, Ellerie, from Portland, Ore.

Yokohama—Sailed, Achilles, for Victoria and Tacoma.

Algoa Bay—Arrived, Jan. 24, Br sh Carnarvon Bay, from Tacoma.

Deal—Passed, March 8—Ger sh Niobe, for Portland, Ore.

Sydney—Sailed, March 9—Br str Fifeshire, for Manila.

Arrived, March 10, Fr sh Rene Kerviler, from Zanzibar; prior to March 9, Br sh Matterhorn, from Portland; bktn James Johnson, from Tacoma.

Auckland—Arrived, March 10, str Sierra, from San Francisco.

SPOKEN.

January 15—Lat 25 S, Lon. 31 W, Br sh Aberfoyle, from Fraser river for Liverpool.

February 3—Lat 5 S, Lon 34 W, Br sh Bannockburn, hence October 16, for Queenstown.

February 16—Lat 9 S, Lon 34 W, Br sh Belford, from Antwerp for San Francisco.

February 15—Lat 4 S, Lon 30 W, Br sh Mount Stewart, hence November 10 for London.

February 9—Lat 3 S, Lon 32 W Ger bk Gudrun, from Hamburg for San Francisco. ChsGG scHuRuGOV shrdlu shrdlu dahr

OBITUARY.

The death occurred last night at the family residence, 31 Rock Bay avenue, of Thos. Gowdy, eldest son of Mrs. Mary and the late William Gowdy. Thos. Gowdy, who has conducted a truck and dray business in the city for some years, was 47 years of age. He was a native of Ontario, but has lived the greater part of his life in Victoria, having been here 31 years. The funeral is arranged to take place from the residence on Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

Hospital Matters.—There will be a meeting of the board of directors of the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital in the Board of Trade rooms on Tuesday evening next, at 8 o'clock. A report on the cost of maintenance of the Isolation hospital will be forwarded by the City Council, the desire of the latter being that some arrangement be arrived at whereby the institution may be taken over under the management of the Jubilee hospital.

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New Postal Order in Effect

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Affects Old Country Circulation to Very Important Extent.

Victoria is now enjoying, in common with the whole of Canada, a privilege, in the matter of postal arrangements, which is one of the most notable departures, in connection with the operation of the Postmaster-General's department, made since Confederation—a decision which went into effect on March 7 last, providing that all newspapers and periodicals, including those posted from the office of publication, may be sent anywhere in the United Kingdom at the same rate of postage and under the same regulations as apply to that class of matter when addressed to any post office in Canada.

The private citizen will not be able to appreciate the advantages of the concession so much as the publisher and newspaper proprietor. To the latter it is a matter of tremendous consequence, as it will enable him to increase his "Old Country" circulation to a very large extent. For instance, under the old regulations, the Colonist, in common with all newspapers published in Canada, has been compelled in order to cover cost of postage, to make the subscription rate per year to points in the Old Country, $1 greater than the rate to points in the Dominion and Newfoundland. That excess charge has now been wiped off the slate, if the interpretation which local post office officials put upon the new regulation be correct. The Semi-Weekly Colonist may now be sent for one year to any point in the United Kingdom for the sum of $1.50—the same rate as applies to all points in Canada.

But not only will the new concession prove of distinct and immediate advantage to the publisher and the Old Country subscriber—it is believed that it will have a very great effect on the relations between Canada and Great Britain, owing to the tremendously wider circulation which Canadian newspapers and periodicals will have in the latter country. It is believed that emigration to Canada, already assuming enormous proportions, will be stimulated in a very marked degree. A special attempt will now be made by newspaper publishers to increase their "foreign" circulation; and it goes without saying that they will not have any difficulty in doing so, in view of the reduced subscription rates now possible. The consequent widespread dissemination of information regarding the Dominion, its resources, progress and growth, will, it is believed, result in directing attention to Canada to an extent hitherto unattainable.

THE DAY IN COURT.

Moody vs. Ahiers Heard in County Court—Hearing Summonses.

Much interest was taken yesterday in the hearing of the County Court action of Moody vs Ahiers, which was postponed from Thursday, owing to the sudden indisposition of the plaintiff whilst under examination. The plaintiff was defendant in a former action between the same parties and recovered on a counter claim. Upon appeal a new trial was granted, and the matter came up for final determination yesterday. The case turned on the question whether the memorandum of lease showing a yearly tenancy had been fraudulently altered whilst in the possession of the plaintiff. The court held that the document had been altered so that the words would read a tenancy from year to year, instead of a tenancy for one year. Mr. Moody admitted in his evidence that in certain proceedings in the United States he had sworn an affidavit to the effect that the goods seized under a distress for rent by the defendant were worth $10,000, whilst Mr. Hardaker appraised them at $45,00 and sold them for $47.50, showing a slight discrepancy in their respective valuations. Among the articles valued was a bronze statue, which Mr. Moody considered a work of art, but which Mr. Hardaker appraised at 25 cents, it being classed as scrap iron and only fit for a junk shop. Mr. Moody in his examination made some lengthy dissertations on a variety of topics, not altogether pertinent to the issue, though at times he relapsed into languor. Judgment was given the defendant for $84.00.

The County Court sitting wound up with its customary finale of judgment summonses. The hearing of these summonses is a modified form of old inquisitorial proceedings, hapless debtors out of work and with no employment in sight, being subjected to the mental agony of having all their private affairs revealed under the prying questions of merciless members of the bar. Mr. Justice Martin is very considerate in his treatment of these unfortunates, and it is a pity that the same cannot be said of some of the counsel who are inexorably cruel in their methods of bullying the humiliated debtor.

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By his Attorneys in Fact, The B. C. Land and Investment Agency, Ltd.
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In the Supreme Court of British Columbia. In the Matter of the Lenora-Mount Sicker Copper Mining Company, Limited. Non-Personal Liability, and in the Matter of the Winding-Up Act and Amending Acts.
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POSTAL RECIPROCITY.

Yesterday one of the greatest reforms ever accomplished took place, one of the finest strokes of Imperial policy ever made, came into operation, without any flourish of trumpets or beating of drums. Canadian newspapers and periodicals can now be delivered in Great Britain for the same price as in Montreal or Toronto, and British newspapers and periodicals can now be delivered in Canada, upon the same terms as in Birmingham or Glasgow. So far as Canada and Great Britain are concerned, the Empire is now homogeneous in one of the most important respects for promoting union and mutual understanding. We are apt to look at this perhaps too much from the point of view of the individual subscriber or the individual publisher. The one has a larger choice in the selection of his reading matter, and the other a larger market for his literary wares. To them no doubt the change will be a boon, but that does not limit its beneficial results by any means. British and Canadian newspapers will now be in a position to exchange with one another, with the result that British public opinion will be disseminated in Canada and Canadian public opinion in Great Britain in a much livelier and more effective form than before. What the people in Great Britain are saying and thinking is fairly well available to us through publications made up of selected excerpts from the leading newspapers and occasional indications over the cables; but Great Britain is in a dark and terrible, and ultimately unwholesome fog as to what the people of Canada are saying and thinking. Another great advantage this postal reform offers is that it will tend to counteract the Americanization of our current literature. Of course good literature is good literature, and equally valuable whether published in the United States, Great Britain, or Timbuctoo. What we refer to, however, is the swamping of Canada with cheap periodicals in which American ideals, American heroism, American pluck, American enterprise, and American achievements are described, discussed and illustrated in every line of prose or poetry, in a way that suggests that no other country ever had, or has ever been capable of having, such ideals, such heroism, such pluck, such enterprise, or such achievements. This kind of literary pabulum gives our Canadian readers an image of things in general refracted through the lenz of United States' patriotism. We need not be unjust to either American literature or American patriotism in saying that this is an undesirable literary atmosphere for Canadians to grow up in. American current literature is not sufficiently cosmopolitan, it is too parochial, for the citizens of so much larger a country like the British Empire. Every mechanical means which will render a freer interchange of thought possible between the various peoples of this world wide Empire, should be recognised as a big step towards its more complete unification. There will be no hesitancy in according to Sir William Mulock all the credit which is undoubtedly his due for having inaugurated this reform, and congratulations are also to be extended to Mr. Austin Chamberlain who does not appear to be so dense as the average run of British Postmasters-General.

MINERAL PRODUCTION.

The summary of the mineral production of Canada for the year 1902, just published by the Geological Survey, is in some ways a satisfactory document, and in other respects not by any means satisfactory. The value of the total mineral production of Canada fell by 2.61 per cent. indicating a stationary, if not actually retrogressive condition in many of our basic industries. The significance of this fact for British Columbia lies in this that the production of metallic products fell off 15 per cent. British Columbia is not merely very much dependent upon her metalliferous mining industry, but is the main portion of Canada in which the metal bearing minerals are produced. We need no further justification for the dissatisfaction with mining progress in British Columbia during 1902 than the figures published in this statistical summary. However, there are crumbs of comfort to be picked up which point conclusively to better days in store. Copper showed an increase in quantity of 3.54 per cent. but a decrease in value of 21.99 per cent. As we know, under the stimulus of better prices, our copper mines are keeping up their production to their limit now, so that this year should show a very satisfactory increase both in quantity and value. Gold shows a decrease of 14.04 per cent. which was not due to British Columbia, however, but to a falling off of production in the Yukon. It is to be noted with surprise and regret that the production of pig iron from Canadian ore shows a decrease of 13.76 per cent., while the production of pig iron as a whole shows an increase of 30.44 per cent. It would not seem as though the bounty system adopted by the government was proving successful in aiding the development of Canadian iron resources. Nickel shows a satisfactory increase. When we come to lead and silver we meet a decrease in the one of 55.68 per cent. and in the other of 21.05 per cent. The silver statistics may be neglected. Silver is either produced as a bye-product of lead, or from very high grade ores of which no decrease in price is likely to affect the quantity produced, although seriously affecting the profits gained by the producers. The reduction of the quantity of lead produced in Canada in a single year by 55.68 per cent. would be a thing impossible if there were, as there should be, a Canadian market for lead. Our lead industry was wholly dependent upon a foreign market, controlled by a hostile trust, and that trust with deliberate design, broke its back. Such an action of course merely throws Canadians back upon themselves to cast about for means of opening a Canadian market, and a direct foreign commerce in this commodity and its products. We may think that the lead question is unique. It certainly possesses unique and peculiar features, but the essential principle involved, only exemplifies what the United States has attempted to do in the case of every developing Canadian industry, with immediately harmful, but permanently beneficial results. If the government, face to face with a specific crisis in a specific industry, will only put its theoretical nostrums in the fire, and adopt a national policy in regard to lead, Canadians will yet bless the day when the United States Smelting Trust tried to do in regard to Canadian lead what the United States government has already failed to accomplish in regard to other Canadian industries. Another favorable symptom appears in these returns in the fact that during 1902 Canada became for the first time in her history an exporter of zinc. The amount is small, only 166,700 pounds, but it is the beginning of an important industry. In non-metallic mineral products important advances were made during 1902 in almost every substance, an increase of over 20 per cent. being registered over the whole schedule. We are naturally most interested in coal, whose production increased 22.27 per cent., and coke which increased 38.56 per cent. During 1902 Canada produced 7,639,255 tons of coal of a value of $15,538,611, and 506,466 tons of coke of a value of $1,538,930. Of the advance in production British Columbia has had her share as the tonnage produced increased from 1,460,331 tons in 1901 to 1,731,315 tons in 1902.

THE CARNEGIE LIBRARY.

Some little time ago it was proposed to establish a public circulating library in Constantinople. A list of the proposed books was submitted to the authorities and permission to establish the library was refused. Special exception was taken to the Fables of La Fontaine, in which the continual references to the lion as the king of beasts were declared to be derogatory to the dignity of the Sultan of Turkey, who has long maintained a prescriptive title to the epithet king of beasts. Constantinople, Turkey, and Victoria, British Columbia, are the only two centres of civilization that we know of where any opposition has been manifested to the establishment and operation of an adequate public library. The main difference, however, is that in Constantinople the opposition was authoritative, and prevented the establishment of the library, in Victoria it is not authoritative, and will not prevent the establishment of the library. The question, as it now presents itself, is entirely different from the question of whether Mr. Carnegie's gift should be accepted or not. Objections have been taken to the acceptance of such gifts on three grounds. (1) The ground that independent progressive communities should not accept benefactions from strangers. (2) The ground that Carnegie some years ago published some very raw crude Republican ideas. (3) The ground of his responsibility for the Homestead riots. We do not sympathize with any of these objections, but we can understand them. They have their origin in natural enough feelings or prejudices, and require to be overcome in all reasonableness with better logic than that by which they are supported. But such objections as those have already been overcome in Victoria. The City Council in Victoria have received a most clear and positive mandate from the people of Victoria to accept Mr. Carnegie's offer, and to go ahead with the erection of a library building. There may be those in Victoria who know better what is good for the citizens than they do themselves, but our form of government fortunately, does not provide any mechanism by which they can, like the authorities of Constantinople, translate their convictions into fact. The objections then, which are now raised against the public library, narrow themselves down to this, that Victoria cannot afford a public library. Because, if Victoria cannot afford to maintain a public library, where it has the building supplied for nothing, it cannot afford to maintain a public library at all. The attempt to show in what way the cost of maintenance could be lessened, with the interest and sinking fund on the capital cost of a building added to it, has not been particularly successful. It is a proposition not susceptible of demonstration. We are then face to face with this, that a city like Victoria cannot afford to maintain what has long been considered an essential to the well-being of a civilized community. We are perfectly satisfied that there is no general feeling in the city behind the opposition to the library. We are perfectly satisfied that the almost unanimous desire of the people is that the City Council should go ahead at once to carry out the mandate they have already received. The question of a site is certainly a thorny one, but what on earth do we elect a mayor and council for if not to settle thorny questions, and harmonize separate interests by the consideration of what is best for the whole. People who would rather not see a library building at all, than see it built anywhere but on the street where they live, are not fit to be citizens of a city, and we do not believe there are any of them in Victoria. The whole question is one upon which we naturally look for a definite lead and guidance on the part of the mayor, and we are quite sure than his lead will be followed without much cavil, even if some sectional interests are disappointed through the impossibility of building one library in four or five different places.

TOO MUCH HOCKEY.

The president of the Montreal Hockey Club said a few days ago: "We have had too much hockey. Although men may be called of iron, they are not made of iron and tired nature will give way. When it is remembered that the Montreal team has played 13 hard games since the 3rd of January, and that nearly every man has been ill at some time or another during the season, I think they died game last night." According to the knowledge of a newspaper commenting on this, hockey on the ice has this season been responsible for a case of threatened insanity from a blow on the head, a case of threatened blindness from a blow on the eyes and broken legs, lost teeth, contusions, dislocations, and wounds, some of which will entail life long trouble; it is responsible for serious disturbance of the heart's functions from over-excitement and exertion, and the practice of dosing with very dangerous drugs to give relief when there are signs of collapse. The president of the Montreal Hockey Club unblushingly remarks that nearly every man on the club team, a picked crowd of healthy young athletes, has been on the sick list during the season. Hockey on the ice is sport in the same sense that fighting game chickens is sport. It is all right for the spectators, and possibly the chickens enjoy it, but if they consulted their best interests they would be scratching gravel in a barnyard somewhere else, and only invading the territory of a neighbor when they wanted a little warlike excitement. Athleticism, carried too far, makes a young man play the same tricks with his constitution as a small boy plays with a window pane, who throws stones to see how near he can go without breaking it.

In the Orlando Park, Portsmouth, a very similar Chinese bell to that presented to Victoria by Lieutenant Macdonald has been hung upon a monument erected to the memory of the officers and men who fell at Tientsin.

The Four Track News is a magazine published by the Passenger Department of the New York Central and Hudson River railway. Its typographical work and half-tones are equal to any produced by the best magazines. The March number contains some exquisite illustrations of Victoria and surroundings, accompanied by a short appreciation of Victoria from the pen of Mr. Frank I. Clarke, late city editor of the Colonist.

The correspondence which, through the kindness of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, we publish this morning, should not fail of meeting with proper attention from both the municipal and provincial authorities. We received a great advantage from the visiting journalists last year, and although this year's crowd is likely to be much more distinguished, but much less influential, their enlightenment upon Canadian resources, will also be beneficial, and their hospitable entertainment we owe as a duty to ourselves.

The cabinet makers at Auckland, New Zealand, demanded higher pay, and the arbitration court which decides disputes of the kind, decreed that they should receive 1s. 3d. an hour. The employees thereupon shut up their factories and will import instead of making furniture. It is now a question if the arbitration courts can compel the employers to pay wages higher than they think they can afford. How is the arbitration law going to work if the manufacturers go on strike, declaring that they can import furniture cheaper than they can make it? Will the New Zealand furniture industry go out of existence?

The Times says: "Of one thing we are quite sure. Some one will have to go. It may be Mr. Gamey." It may. If Mr. Gamey invented the statement he made to the Ontario legislature he ought to go—to jail. So far he has not shown himself to be the kind of idiot who would make a statement of that kind without being able to substantiate it, either by direct documentary evidence, or by such strong corroborative evidence, as to completely satisfy the independent public." It is Gamey or the government now, and as a rule, people do not present such a gun as that without knowing it is loaded. It is too definite an issue, too disgraceful a scandal, for anything to satisfy the Canadian public except the conviction or exoneration of those implicated.

The latest department of trade in which the United States has invaded European preserves is the trade in idols to the Orient. This trade we learn with surprise has been for many years exclusively in the hands of Great Britain and Germany. Is it possible that the quaint images we frequently see in the curiosity shops of Victoria originated in Birmingham or Berlin? It seems that a few years ago an American firm sent some idols to one of the Korean sacred orders, and the results were so satisfactory that there is now a widespread demand for American idols. The New York Christian Herald says of this peculiar trade development: "We can but wonder whether conscience and principle are not dead in men who, in this age of the world, can make images to be worshipped; and so the Psalmist have been right when he compared the idols to the idol-makers: 'They that make them are like unto them.'" That is a mighty shallow comment. It overlooks the fact that the manufacture of idols is made in pursuance of the worship of the great object of not only American idolatry, the almighty dollar. "Like unto them," yes! But in a much deeper and more awful sense than the trifling criticism of this newspaper, itself run for the almighty dollar, and no doubt earning it, contemplates.

The agitation for more male teachers in our schools may indicate a remedy for certain evils apparent in the rising generation, but it does not go to the root of those evils. It is quite evident that the sex of school teachers under whom boys and girls study a few hours in the day would not be an important consideration if there were not a very general abrogation of parental authority in the home. The cry for male teachers seems to point to the necessity of the state providing something which the individual parent is ceasing to exact from his offspring, namely, a respect for authority, and particularly for his authority, as such. Under the rapid disintegration of the home, which every sociologist admits to be the main feature of modern civilization, every problem dealing with the equipment of the next generation is undergoing a radical change. In an up-to-date community what a racy tongue not much used now a days terms "halflins" of both sexes, do not look upon themselves as much more than boarders under the parental roof. Business with the fathers and the opportunities of social enjoyment afforded to the mothers in our advanced civilization, seem to be having the effect of limiting the parental instinct to a degree in which some may scent danger for the future of humanity.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

Government House, March 13th, 1903.

Sir,—I am directed by the Lieutenant-Governor to send you the enclosed copy of a communication which His Honor has received from Lord Lyveden, who is organizing a party composed of members of both Houses of the Imperial Parliament, with the object of visiting Canada during the coming summer.

His Honor hopes that this province will take advantage of the opportunity to extend a fitting reception to such a distinguished delegation.

R. B. POWELL.

Guernsey House, Folkstone,
February 24th, 1903.

Dear Sir,—I have just had a conversation with Lord Stratheona with reference to the proposed visit to Canada of a number of members of the House of Lords and of the House of Commons, Etonians, Harrovians and their friends, during the summer recess. Lord Stratheona has suggested that as I am organizing the party, I should communicate with the authorities of the towns and cities to be visited, and with the heads of certain public institutions, with a view of knowing whether any special facilities can be afforded to the party for seeing places of interest, etc.

The business arrangements are to be carried out by Dr. Henry S. Lunn, the well known railway and steamship agent, but I shall be glad if you will address any reply as to our reception in Canada to me personally.

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) LYVEDEN.

The Hon. Sir Henri G. J. de Lotbiniere, K. C. M. G. etc., etc., etc.

P. S.—I enclose herewith a copy of a letter I have just received from Lord Aberdeen.

I am writing in similar terms to the Premiers.

58 Grosvenor Street, W.
February 24th, 1903.

Dear Lord Lyveden,—Referring to our recent conversation, I feel sure that a well organized party, consisting of members of both Houses of Parliament, undertaking an expedition to Canada, would find the trip a most interesting and instructive experience, and that the members thereof would also have reason to feel that the time and trouble devoted to that purpose had been well bestowed.

I remain yours very faithfully,
(Sgd.) ABERDEEN.

BOUNDARY QUESTION.

Sir,—In reference to the Alaskan boundary, would it not be as well for the government to hunt up all correspondence between John Treadwell and President Cleveland, some years ago, re boundary question, and if this is done it will be found that in those letters written from Juneau, Alaska, the writer explains to the President that the American cause was a very weak one, and if settled in accordance with the wording of the Treaty made between Great Britain and Russia in 1825, that the United States would lose Port Wrangel, Juneau and Douglas Island. It would be as well for the government of the Dominion to send up the steamer Quadra and examine Lynn Canal before the commissioners settle down to work, and make a careful survey of both sides of the Canal and see if they can find these monuments that were placed some 22 miles down the Canal from Heanes Mission, by the United States a few yars ago, as the Americans have been finding a lot of mounds of late, and perhaps those are the ones reported in another part of the country. But by all means find and publish those letters above mentioned, as I think you will find them in the old files of the Colonist.

J. W. HASKINS.

[Can anyone provide us with this correspondence or its approximate date? The reference to our own files is a little vague. —Ed.]

PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHERS

Stella—"Jack proposed to me last night." Bella—"Yes? He told me yesterday when I refused him that he would do something desperate."—Brooklyn Life.

Beryl—"Is Ethel's married life happy?" Sibyl—"She must be perfectly miserable. Why, I understand her husband only buys her things that he can afford!"—Baltimore Herald.

"Yes," said the actor. "Starr, the tragedian, is mad, hopelessly mad." "Overstudy?" asked the Critick. "No, it was his understudy that made him mad. He made a bigger hit in the part than Starr."—Philadelphia Press.

A little newsboy, who had been in an accident, came into his Sunday school class with one of his ears bandaged to his head, and said to the teacher, "I'm a good one to preach to-day, for it goes in one ear and can't get out the other."—Life.

"What is the object of your society?" said the serious little woman. "Why," answered Miss Cayenne, "the same as that of any other society; to enjoy the satisfaction of knowing that there are a lot of people who want to get in and can't."—Washington Star.

"The word 'dirigible,'" explained the teacher, "means capable of being steered. Now, which little boy or girl can give me a sentence in which that word is used?" Little Abijah Meddergrass raised his hand. "You may tell us, Abijah." "The bunco men in New York found that Uncle Silas was dirigible."—Judge.

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	P.M.	
Nanaimo	12:40	8:20
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Local News

Crowded Out.—Owing to lack of space several letters to the editor have been crowded out of today's issue.

Blacksmiths Meet.—The International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths will hold a special meeting in Labor Hall this evening at 8 o'clock.

Tobogganing.—About one hundred people on an average have been enjoying the invigorating and exhilarating sport of coasting at Beacon Hill every night since the snow fell.

Prayer Circle.—The Keswick prayer circle will meet tonight (Saturday) in the Presbyterian mission hall, 131 Government street, at 8 p.m. All in sympathy with their object will be cordially welcomed.

Activity at Crofton.—Work has been commenced on the Crofton smelter again, in view to making an early start. About four trainloads of ore a day are coming down from the Mount Sicker mines, and there is a big pile on the calcining heap.

Grocers' Association.—At the last meeting of the Grocers' Association on Monday, a board of directors was formed. It was also decided that a general meeting of the association should be called on the second Monday of every month.

Douglas Gardens.—The Douglas summer gardens have been subdivided into building lots. These are being offered for sale by the B. C. Land & Investment Co. The block of land embraces about ten acres, and affers a number of splendid building sites.

No. 1 Company.—A general meeting of No. 1 Company's Association will be called in the near future, for the purpose of forming an athletic association. It is hoped by a number of the men in the regiment that this will soon be a universal move amongst the different companies.

Take Over Department. — Recent changes in the management of the Westside have resulted in the dressmaking department being taken over by Mrs. J. D. Skinner and Miss H. J. Walsh, who have had wide experience in the particular vocation to which they will now bend their energies.

Korean Pedler.—A Korean, attired in his native garb with the strangest crowned hat, and other peculiar attributes, was canvassing Chinatown yesterday. The stranger from the Hermit Kingdom arrived a short time ago, and is engaged in peddling ginseng, a herb, with medicinal qualities, which is valued by the Chinese and Koreans.

The Exhibition.—A special meeting between committees from the City Council and the board of management of the Victoria Agricultural Association will be held at the office of Messrs. Yates & Jay, on Friday afternoon next, at 8 o'clock. The chief matter to be discussed is certain alterations to the constitution, which will permit of the management of the exhibition to be placed in the hands of a small body which will be wholly responsible for its financial affairs.

Report on Vancouver Island.—The regular monthly general meeting of the Board of Trade will be held on Friday evening next at 8 o'clock. Further discussion will occur on the amended report of the special committee appointed to prepare a paper on Vancouver Island and its strategic position in relation to proposed transcontinental railway enterprises. Much opposition arose when the report was originally presented, it being contended that the advantages of Victoria as a transcontinental terminus was not sufficiently emphasized.

Rocky Mountain Rangers.—Colonel Holmes, D. O. C., has gone to Revelstoke to investigate the condition of the local company of the Rocky Mountain Rangers, which until recently was under the command of Capt. T. E. L. Taylor. Providing a sufficient number of recruits come forward, a new commanding officer will be appointed and the company continue its existence. It is expected that these matters will be arranged to Colonel Holmes' satisfaction; otherwise the stores and equipment will be returned to the government and the company disbanded.

Improved Sound Service.—The Board of Trade has not yet received any further word from Mr. Lawless, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, in respect to the likelihood of the company putting on two fast steamers on the Sound service. The delay in the receipt of a reply to the overtures which were made is thought to be due to the fact that Mr. Lawless only returned to San Francisco a few days ago. Members of the board believe that there is little doubt that the service will be inaugurated as was practically agreed upon.

Contract Awarded.—Yesterday the contract was awarded for the new two-storey pressed brick front store to be erected for the Sylvester Feed Co., at Nos. 87 and 89 Yates street. H. J. Knott was the successful tenderer. Reference has already been made to this building, which will be fitted with a 20-horse power motor for the grinding and cleaning of grain. Building operations will begin next week, and the premises are to be ready for occupancy next June. The offices of the company will be spacious and well planned for the convenience of customers.

Mr. Boggs Explains.—H. H. Jones, business manager of the Home Building Association, having complained regarding the manner in which "space privileges" were alloted at the late fall exhibition—his firm paying $20, while others paid a less sum—Beaumont Boggs, the late secretary, was seen yesterday. He said in explanation: "The amount of $75 was received for privileges of hall, $82 for grounds, $45 for race track, in all $202. In classifying the auditor has credited $65 to hall, $92 to grounds, $45 to race track, in all $202, the same total. Mr. Jones having applied for space for the use of the Dominion Home Building Society, the chairman of the hall decided that the sum of $20 would be charged, as the space was not for an exhibit of agricultural, manufacturing or industrial character, but for advertising purposes. I may say further that owing to the difficulty in securing industrial exhibits last year, space charges were only made to those doing business in their stands."

"Let There Be Light."—Citizens living at points a little distance from the busjness districts, and requiring to come to town yesterday evening, were loud in complaint because none of the electric lights were burning. The Colonist was asked to make a note of the matter in the hope that the grievance may receive immediate attention.

Lumbermen's Desires.—The British Columbia Lumbermen's Association held a meeting in Vancouver on Thursday evening, and took steps towards the early circulation of a petition to be presented to the legislature, praying: "1. That timber licenses shall be made transferable. 2. That timber licenses may be issued for a fixed term of years up to 15 years. 3. That permission may be granted to take up such timber licenses in jogs of one-half mile and that three detached fragments may be comprised in one license. 4. That no change be made in the license fee of $100. 5. That a recent ruling of the department, that piles are prohibited from export, be rescinded."

College of Mines.—On the occasion of his recent lecture in the City Hall, on the resources of Vancouver Island, W. J. Sutton, M. E., urged the establishment in this city of a College of Mines, offering to contribute to the same the finest collection of mineral specimens in the province. Vancouver has an aspiration to take advantage of Mr. Sutton's suggestion, and have the College of Mines located in that city. The Vancouver World says: "Mr. W. J. Sutton, M. E., of Victoria, has been working up the idea of a college of mines for British Columbia. As matters stand the richest province of the Dominion is without any technical mining educational institution, and unquestionably it would be to the interest of the mineral industry that Mr. Sutton's suggestion should be adopted, and a college of mines instituted at Vancouver."

Find of Coal And Petroleum

Two Hundred Miles of Claims Staked in the Depth of Winter.

The Discoverers Act With Great Secrecy to Forestall Stampede.

The provincial Gazette discloses that as many as 220 applications were filed in one week with the government for coal and petroleum lands discovered in South East Kootenay, situated about 30 miles from Morrissey, the lands being in the mountains and within 25 miles of the C. P. R. Two hundred and twenty miles of territory has been staked off, the stakes being driven in the deep snow. The country is well wooded. The matter has been kept quiet by the applicants with the object of preventing a stampede. Despite the number of applications filed with the government, the extensive territory staked off has been taken up by a few people.

The number of applications appearing in the Gazette has caused some stir and excitement among those realizing the prospective value of such extensive coal fields. Upon enquiry yesterday, it appears that for the past ten years it has been no secret that there was every indication that the territory just staked contained valuable coal measures. Applications for licenses have been filed with the government for many years back. It is authoritatively affirmed, though, that no licenses or grants have been issued. These lands are all under a reservation, and a three-months' notice in the Gazette is necessary before the lands could be opened to applicants. The government has not considered the matter of lifting the reservation, and it is not known what policy will be adopted. In any case, the lands will not be permitted gobbled up by a few people. It is intended to preserve the rigats of the public in order that these coal and petroleum lands may not fall into the hands of monopolists to the prejudice and detriment of the public interest. The reservation on these lands has been expressly established with a view of having them developed under such conditions as will prove most beneficial to the province. People cannot be prevented from staking, but this will avail them little, for the present at least, as there is no indication that there will be any immediate cancellation of the reservation. In view of the many applications recently filed, it is likely that pressure will be brought upon the government to open the reservation, but it is hardly likely that this will be done without adequate restrictions to conserve the rights of the public; so that in the event of these prospective coal and petroleum lands being proved to be valuable, the full benefit of such a provincial asset may be realized to the best advantage of the province. At any event, it is understood that the question of opening the reservation has not been considered by the cabinet, and there is perfect fredom to deal with the subject from the exclusive standpoint of the public interest.

THE FRENCH CHAMBER.

Discussion on Treatment of Religious Orders.

Paris, March 12, 1903.—Abbe Gayraud, Catholic republican, in his speech asked the Chamber to recommit to the commission the report that Premier Combs had submitted in his support of his proposition on the ground that the report did not propose any means of assuring an existence to the members of the religious congregations, whom it was unjust, said the speaker, to thus throw on the streets, many among them being 70 years of age. The Chamber, however, refused to listen to the appeal, and Abbe Gayraud finally withdrew his motion. M. Lerolle gave an elaborate history of the role the religious orders had played in French history, to the glory of which, contended M. Lerolle, they had greatly contributed. The republic was trying to deprive the monks of the means of living, and force them to starvation or expatriation. The republicans, continued the speaker, were today following the example of the First Republic; they had no other ambition than that of satisfying party vengeance. If the majority refused to admit discussion on the question and decided the series of questions which concerned separate congregations by a single vote refusing authorization to all congregations liberty would be endangered. While this silence was enforced on the convention members in the chamber it would force them to appeal to the entire country and that appeal would not be definite so long as France contained any just men with bold tongues. M. Lerolles' remarks refer to the procedure which the Republicans propose to adopt in dividing the congregations into three groups and refusing to allow the authorization for each congregation to be discussed separately. Former minister Barhou replied on the Republican side, attacking the religious orders as being the negative of human liberty and the abdication of individual personality. The congregations, he said, depended on their chiefs presiding in Rome. The members had no country. By refusing to concede discussion in each individual case the Republicans would refuse to consent to a slow and uncertain manner of proceeding which the congregations regarded as a forlorn hope, and which the democracy would consider to be a culpable weakness. The speakers were warmly applauded by their respective supporters and the debate was adjourned until tomorrow.

Resent Slurs On the Harbor

Board of Trade Notices Statements That There Is Lack of Accommodation.

Likelihood of Marconi Wireless Station Being Erected on West Coast.

The council of the Victoria Board of Trade is greatly displeased over the circumstance that defamatory allusions are made from time to time respecting the adequacy of the harbor accommodation of the port of Victoria. Certain advocates of more extensive harbor improvements have from time to time publicly stated that Victoria had suffered a direct loss of shipping owing to lack of harbor accommodation, and the matter was brought to the attention of the council at a special meeting held yesterday morning. One other matter dwelt with is of more than passing interest—the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of Canada has been in communication with the board, seeking information preparatory to the establishing of a wireless station on the coast of Vancouver Island. All the information has been forwarded to the company and developments are awaited with interest.

President L. G. McQuade presided, and there were present also C. F. Todd, D. R. Ker, R. Seabrook, T. W. Paterson, M.P.P., Simon Leiser, Jas. Thompson, S. J. Pitts and Ald. F. W. Vincent, the latter as a representative of the committee on harbors and navigation.

HARBOR IMPROVEMENT.

This committee submitted a report, accompanied by a chart of the harbor, showing the channels now used by steamers, which it is desired to have improved at once, to meet the pressing requirements of the port. The report recommended, and the council approved of the idea that the channel in the inner harbor be dredged from its entrance to the E. & N. railway bridge, to a depth of 16 feet at low water. From the E. & N. bridge up to Point Ellice it suggested that the channel be dredged to 12 feet.

The council of the Board of Trade had the matter before Hon. Senator Templeman previous to his departure for Ottawa, and it was on his recommendation that a chart was prepared showing just what were the pressing requirements in the way of harbor improvement. He asked that the same be forwarded to him at Ottawa. All being now in readiness, Secretary Elworthy is to forward the same, accompanied by a request to the British Columbia members in the Commons and Senate to press for the required appropriation.

HARBOR COMMISSIONERS.

President McQuade reported the receipt of a communication from the Voters' League, asking that the board appoint a committee to confer with committees named by the Voters' League, the Chamber of Commerce, and the City Council, to consider the necessity of urging the incorporation of a board of harbor commissioners.

Ald. Vincent conveyed to the board a verbal report of what had transpired at the recent conference at the City Hall, all of which has already been recorded in these columns.

A member of the council expressed a wish to ascertain if it was proposed to remunerate the commissioners for their services. If such was the intention, and the salaries were of the kind usually paid for such important services, the same coming out of the amount appropriated by the Federal House for harbor improvements, it was greatly to be feared that the appropriation would be almost entirely exhausted in salaries, and nothing would be left for the actual work of harbor improvement. He submitted that this was a very serious phase of the question, and one which ought to be very closely inquired into. The board concurred with him in this.

A discussion then ensued on the question of the circulation in the press of defamatory statements emanating from speakers at public meetings regarding Victoria's available harbor accommodation. On numerous occasions it had been public stated that shipping business was being lost to Victoria owing to inadequate harbor accommodation. Such statements were absolutely false, there not being a case on record where a vessel has failed to dock at Victoria because of any such reason, and moreover, the harbor accommodation is capable of amplification in order to meet the prospective requirements of the port for the next fifty years. The board was of the opinion that the circulation of such defamatory statements was calculated to do a vast amount of injury to the port, and the members felt that some steps ought to be taken to prevent the publicity of such misleading views. The discussion closed by the board deciding by resolution to arrange for a meeting with the various civic committees so that the question of harbor commissioners, harbor improvements and harbor accommodation generally may be taken up in its entirety.

A WIRELESS STATION.

President McQuade also reported having received a communication from the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company, asking for information as to a suitable site for the establishment of a wireless station on this Coast, so that it might be of the best advantage to the shipping interests. Mr. McQuade had referred the letter to the committee on navigation, and the latter had reported in favor of the station being erected at Carmanah Point, or some place in that vicinity.

The Wireless Telegraph Company had been informed accordingly and also reminded of the importance of the proximity of the naval station at Esquimalt and the rapidly increasing shipping interests on the Coast.

A reply had been received from the company, thanking the board for its information and stating that as soon as sufficient data had been collected as to the success of the stations in other places, the matter would be taken up with the board again.

IMPROPER BOOK-KEEPING

The secretary of the Montreal Chamber of Commerce forwarded a communication directing attention to the failure of many business men to properly keep their books, as instanced in so many cases being brought to light in the cases of parties failing to meet their obligations. This was a very serious matter to the creditors of such people. The co-operation of the board was asked in an endeavor to secure legislation aiming at making it compulsory for all parties doing business to the extent of $1,000 annually to keep their accounts in such an efficient manner as to be able in case of failure to render such a statement of their business operations as would be satisfactory.

It is suggested that those failing to comply with the proposed law should be held criminally responsible unless they can establish that they had no intention of defrauding their creditors.

The council decided to recommend the endorsation of the proposal.

Replying to overtures from the Board of Trade, that the latter would welcome the co-operation of any body of citizens in the task of upbuilding the business interests of the city, the Chamber of Commerce informed the board that it would be willing at all times to co-operate with the board in the matter referred to.

The London (Eng.) Chamber of Commerce forwarded nomination forms to be filled in with the names of the delegates the board desires to represent it at the forthcoming session of the Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, which will be convened in August next. The letter was referred to the full board.

ALASKAN BOUNDARY.

In connection with the work done by British Columbia representatives at the meetings of the Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, Secretary Elworthy directs attention to the remarks of Robert Ward, who represented the Victoria Board of Trade at the meeting held in London in June, 1900, on the Alaskan boundary dispute.

Mr. Robert Ward, (Victoria, B. C., Board of Trade): "At this late hour, I do not propose to take up much time in dealing with a question which is not only of vast importance, particularly to the Dominion of Canada and its great province of British Columbia, but to the whole of the British Empire. I think it is of more interest to the Dominion of Canada and British Columbia, because the Alaskan territory lies at the extreme northwest of the Dominion of Canada, and is contiguous to the province of British Columbia. The resolution I have to move is as follows:

"That it is of vital importance to British and Canadian trade on the Pacific coast to press forward a settlement of the Alaska Boundary question; and this congress, while recognizing the endeavors of Her Majesty's government to effect an adjustment, would urge the desirability of renewed efforts in order to accomplish that object."

It would take a very long time indeed, if I ventured to go into the history of the Alaska boundary dispute. Its origin extends back three-quarters of a century to a time when that great country was possesed by the Russian government, and even at that time, 1825, disputes arose between the government of Russia and the government of Great Britain with respect to the boundary line of their respective countries. The result was that a treaty was entered into between those countries with regard to trade and navigation facilities, and defining the line of demarkation between the possessions of the contracting parties on the coast of the continent, and the islands of America to the northwest. Those disputes continued for many years, and at a time when little was thought of the value of the great territory known as Alaska, the United States, in 1867, acquired possession of that country for the consideration of the paltry sum of seven millions of dollars, and I venture to say that they had a very great bargain. Russia was probably not aware of the enormous natural value of that country, richly mineralized throughout, and rich in fish, furs, and other natural products. At the time of the acquisition of this great country by the United States, Great Britain did not acquiesce in the transfer of it. She did not and she does not now, yield to the disputes being settled. But as the country has advanced, and developed, the difficulties and expenses have increased year by year. I may say incidentally that the Bering Sea question was almost on all fours with this very dispute. It had its origin probably about the same time. The dispute arrived at such an acute stage that we all know it resulted in an arbitration, which was agreed upon between the United States and Great Britain, by which those disputes were settled, but unfortunately the disputes as to the boundaries of the Alaska Territory have continued ever since, and the government of British Columbia have made every effort to have matters adjusted. In 1899 an international commission sat in Washington, and I understand that the question of the Alaska boundary was introduced in secret session. But whenever the Alaska boundary question comes up before our American cousins, somehow or other it is shelved, and it was so in this case, and we are in the same position that we were seventy-five years ago. Members of the congress who are not familiar with the coast, might ask what difference does it make to Canada. It makes a very great difference indeed. We possess enormous territory, richly mineralized, contiguous to this country, and we do not know, until these disputes are settled, which is our country and which is theirs. But we do know this, that the territory actually in dispute, is of far greater value to the Dominion of Canada than it is to the United States, and the American people are ready to admit that fact. I do not know that I can quote anything more appropriate to the question than the remarks of the Hon. David Mills, Minister of Justice for the Dominion, who pointed out that the geographical position is such as I have already indicated, and of far greater consequence to Canada than it is to the United States. Moreover, as he points out, we are neighbors of the United States, and we are anxious to be on friendly terms with them, and I think they are with us. I do not move this resolution in any way as reflecting on the good intentions of the Imperial government or the Dominion government of Canada, because all the details are known to them, and I think they have made every effort to bring about a proper solution of the question. All we ask the congress to do is to emphasize the fact that this matter should still further receive the earnest support of the Imperial government, and that every effort possible should be made to settle, by international arbitration, a question which so seriously affects the interest, not only of the Dominion of Canada and British Columbia, but of the whole British Empire. (Cheers.)

Mr. G. C. Campbell (Halifax N. S., Board of Trade) formally seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. Ward afterwards wrote the board, asking it to acquaint the Dominion government with the unanimous passage of the resolution in question, and his suggestion was promptly acted upon.

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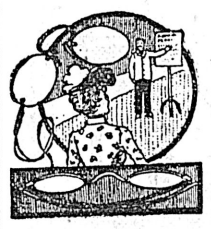

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BASEBALL.

There will be a meeting of the junior members of the J. B. A. A. on Monday evening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of organizing a baseball club.

The new National League schedule arranges 20 games each for the eight clubs, instead of 22, the season closing on September 27, to make room for postponed games with the American League team. The championship season will begin on April 15, with Boston in Philadelphia and Chicago in St. Louis. The New Yorks will not open until the day following, nor will the Cincinnatis. The former will open at home with Brooklyn and the latter at home with Pittsburg. The number of conflicting dates with the American League is comparatively small, as follows: Two in Boston, two in New York, five in Philadelphia, fourteen in Chicago, and six in St. Louis. Colonel Rogers and A. J. Reach of Philadelphia, were made life honorary members.

The American League season will open on April 20, with Philadelphia and Boston. The teams are scheduled for two games, it being Lexington Day. The Eastern clubs will go west first and will open May 11 as follows: Philadelphia at Chicago, Washington at St. Louis, New York at Detroit, and Boston at Cleveland. The Western teams will first appear in the East on June 4, with Cleveland in New York, Chicago at Boston, St. Louis at Washington, and Detroit at Philadelphia. The Western teams close the season in the East on September 29. Like the National League schedule, the season consists of one hundred and forty games.

YACHTING.

The hollow steel mast which has been made for Shamrock III. is declared to be the most remarkable achievement in yacht construction in the United Kingdom. The mast for the new boat is said to be 15 cwt. lighter than that of Shamrock II., while the whole spar is 18 cwt. lighter than the lower mast of Shamrock II. The workmen who built the spar declared that they do not see how the steel shell is to withstand the enormous strain of a high wind. But they admit that the designer is apparently satisfied with the result, since there is no talk of building an extra spar for an emergency. The gaff and boom are about the same weight as previous spars.

The Shamrock III will be launched on St. Patrick's Day, and it is hoped she will reach New York the first week in July.

THE RING.

Bob Fitzsimmons is out with a novel proposition. He suggests a carnival of fights at San Francisco in the same week that Jeffries and Corbett will fight. His idea has always been taken seriously by Billy Delaney, and some of the noted New York sporting men, such as Jim Kennedy. Kennedy owns a share in each of two San Francisco athletic clubs, and is going to see what can be done to further Fitzsimmons' suggestion.

New York, March 13.—Word has been received in this city from Tommy Ryan that he stands willing to fight Bob Fitzsimmons for the middleweight championship, but stipulating that the weight must be 154 pounds.

San Francisco, March 13.—Abe Attel was given the decision over Eddie Toy at the end of the 20th round here last night.

LAWN TENNIS.

The annual general meeting of the Victoria Tennis Club will be held on Tuesday the 17th March, 1903, at the office of Messrs. Cornwall & Rogers, on Bastion street, at 8:0 p. m., to hear the report of the secretary and treasurer, and to approve the balance sheet; also to elect officers for the ensuing season.

Secretary Presbrey of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association, has announced that Great Britain has formally challenged for the Davis Trophy, emblematic of international lawn tennis supremacy. This is the third attempt of Great Britain to secure this trophy.

CRICKET.

The tour of the Fijian cricketers in England this year will open May 8 with a match against the Gloucestershire Club and Ground.

SPRINTING.

Two hundred and sixteen men, representing 19 clubs, ran in the South of England cross-country championship. For the third year in succession, A. Shrubb of the South London H., was first man home. He covered the ten miles in 58 minutes 30 2-5 seconds. As was the case last year, A. Aldridge (Kent A.C.) and G. Pearce (Unity A.C.) finished second and third. Highgate Harriers were first in the club points, Essex Beagles being second and Herne Hill Harriers third.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

The junior football game between the Capital Association team and the North Ward has been postponed on account of the football grounds being covered with snow

BASKETBALL.

The basketball at the Drill hall tonight between the Fernwoods Basketball team and the Victoria West team, will be the only game in the way of sports going on today in the city, owing to the football grounds being covered with snow. The basketball game should prove to be full of excitement throughout, as the two teams are very evenly matched.

The teams are as follows: Fernwood—Guards, W. Peden and Shotbolt; centre, Dalby; forwards, R. Peden and Malcolm.

Victoria West—Guards, C. Fairall and F. Jones; centre, Baker; forwards, W. Fairall and Crocker; reserve, A. Stephens.

HANDBALL.

The next scheduled game in the Inter-club handball tournament, will take place next Tuesday in the J. B. A. A. gymnasium, between the Fernwoods and Royal Garrison Artillery.

HOCKEY.

The game at the Barracks this afternoon, between the soldiers and the Victoria Hockey Club, has been declared off on account of the snow.

THE OAR.

The J. B. A. A. boat committee are busy getting the club boats overhauled, and put into shape for the beginning of the season, which starts next month. Mr. D. O'Sullivan feels confident that a greater interest will be taken this year than ever, in rowing, by the members of the club, and he looks for a very successful summer. The season will be opened with a picnic up the Arm, like last year, but on a larger scale, the date of which will be on the first Saturday in April, which will be the fourth. The new boats that are coming out from England are expected about the end of next month.

PING-PONG.

The ping pong tournament at the Dallas hotel this evening between the Duncan's Ping Pong Club and their Victoria friends, is being keenly looked forward to by the participants.

The competitors are as follows: Mrs. Knox and Miss Jaynes, Messrs. Whittome, Freeman and Shaw, from Duncans. Mrs. Carr-Hilton, Miss Wilson, Messrs. Garesche, Leeming, C. Wilson and Rickaby, of Victoria.

THE KENNEL.

Entries for the Victoria Kennel Club bench show are coming in faster this year than last, and have started one week sooner. The indications are that the exhibitions bids fair to surpass all the previous efforts of the club in the past. Secretary McConnel has up to date, over fifty entries, and wishes it to be known that the last day a dog can be entered is on the 21st of this month.

GOLF.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Golf Club will start on the 9th of next month and continue until the 13th. A number of competitors from the Sound cities are expected.

CHESS.

Monte Carlo, March 13.—The tenth round of the second half of the international chess tournament, Marshall beat Moreau Muslo, gambit, in 29 moves; Tarrasch beat Mieses, centre gambit, in 31 moves; Maroczy beat Albin, bishop's gambit, in 29 moves, and the contest between Pillsbury and Mason, queen's gabit declined, was drawn in 52 moves. The three other games were adjourned. In the 9th round played yesterday, Marco beat Mieses, Danish gambit, in 42 moves. The playing was resumed this afternoon and Marco beat Teichman, Sicilian defence, in 32 moves; Reggio beat Tambenhaus, Knight defence, in 74 moves, and the game between Schlechter and Wolf, queen's gambit, declined, resulted in a draw after 34 moves.

A Good Reputation.—Brown's Bronchial Troches have been before the public many years, and are everywhere acknowledged to be the best remedy for all throat troubles. Mrs. S. H. Elliott, Ridgefield, Conn., says: "I have never been without them for the last thirty years. Would as soon think of living without breath."

They quickly relieve Coughs, Sore Throat and Bronchial Affections. Price, 25 cents. For sale everywhere, and only in boxes.

An Irishman, just returning from the mother country after a short visit, was met at the steamer pier by a friend, who was unaware of his father's recent death,, and, after greeting, proceeded to ask after the old folks at home.

"Say, Pat! Is your father alive yet?"

"No, Mike; not yet," was the reply. —the Observer.

Wants Reserve For Factories

Chamber of Commerce Favors Holding Indian Reserve For Industries.

City to Be Asked to Recognize Its Great Commercial Value.

If the wishes of certain members of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce are gratified, the Indian Reserve, when it finally passes to the control of the city, will be the home of flourishing manufactories, throb with the busy life of many workmen, and resound with the din of bustling industry. An intimation that such is the aspiration of the members was given yesterday evening in the debate on the report of the committee on "Home Industries—how to foster them." It is the intention to lay the matter before the City Council in the shape of a recommendation that the reserve should be held as an asset to be used as occasion may demand for the encouragement of industries not now located in Victoria—sites for the factories to be given on the reserve on a certain very advantageous and liberal basis. The report of the committee was finally adopted at yesterday evening's regular meeting of the Chamber. The committee on Transportation reported to be doing good work, and further time was granted them for the completion of their task.

President J. L. Beckwith presided, and there was a fair attendance of members.

In the absence of the secretary, A. J. Morley, Mr. Mowat acted in that capacity.

The following new members were elected. C. F. Schilling, P. T. Patton, L. Stemler, D. P. Barnhardt, F. V. Robertson, V. Von Rhein and T. F. Gold.

A letter was received from J. Knight giving notice of motion asking that the attention of the Postmaster-General be called to the delay in the transit of the mails from the East—serious delays having occurred at times at Vancouver.

D. Fraser applied for the position of secretary. Laid on the table.

Phil R. Smith, for the Transportation committee, reported progress. Two hundred circulars had been forwarded all over the country asking for information. It was intended to prepare a map showing the commercial centres. The circular was as follows:

Dear Sir,—Will you kindly aid the above committee by filling in the appended form and return at the earliest opportunity to the undersigned address?

This committee has been appointed by the Chamber of Commerce to investigate the transportation facilities afforded outlying districts with trade, centres and particularly so with Victoria. This city affords a good market for all classes of goods, and the merchants here wish to work hand in hand with the residents of producing localities.

A mutual benefit is thus secured through co-operation, and any information or suggons from you will be cheerfully accepted.

A. J. MORLEY,
Secretary.

1. What means of communication have you with Victoria?
2. What other trade centres?
3. State the nature of exports from your locality.
4. Where is your marketing done at present?
5. What advantages do you gain thereby?
6. Contrast the freight and passenger rates from your point to Victoria. Passenger. Freight.
Nanaimo. Passenger. Freight.
New Westminster. Passengers. Freight.
New Westminster. Passenger. Freight.
7. State the time coming and going on such trips to: Victoria, Nanaimo, New Westminster, or other points.
8. Have you any idea of the yearly exports from your point?
9. Value of Importations for home consumption.
Have you any suggestions for an improved service and better trade relations between your point and Victoria?
Any additional information to the above?

Mr. Levy moved that the committee be granted further time. They were to be commended for the splendid way in which they had taken hold of their task. The motion carried.

The report of the special committee on Home Industries was then further discussed.

Mr. Grant favored the idea of a label being used on all the goods manufactured by white labor. The merchants themselves would be glad to endorse such a practice.

Regarding the clause referring to aiding the establishment of factories by giving a tract of land as a bonus, Mr. Levy did not think any such assistance should be given. If the success of Victoria as a manufacturing centre depended upon such concessions, it was a poor outlook.

Mr. Grant said the object the committee had was to encourage the introduction of entirely new industries.

Mr. Kingham was of the opinion that the straw-plaiting industry might be started here with every prospect of success. The raw material was obtained in China, and he knew of no reason why a straw hat manufactory might not flourish in Victoria.

Mr. Grant said there were no doubt many manufacttories which could be established here with success—and as far as a land bonus was concerned, the Indian reserve would no doubt be available for the purpose of a site for future industries.

Mr. Walker said Tacoma was trying to get a woolen mill. There was no reason why Victoria should not have on industry of the same kind. All the blankets now came from the East, and that was a very long haul. Victoria had a direct service to Australia and New Zealand, and he believed that a mill could be made to pay.

Mr. Townsley said the question of power ought to be considered—as it was at present, there was a lamentable shortage.

Mr. Price said he thought a big field was open in Victoria for manufactories. In connection with the allusion to the Indian reserve, he understood that it was intended to lay before the City Council a recommendation that an endeavor be made to have the reserve set aside as a location for new industries, which would require sites on favorable terms.

The clause passed, as did also the balance of the report in its entirety, after some little further discussion.

Mr. Knight's motion aiming at the securing of a better mail service from the East and Vancouver for parcels and newspapers, was then taken up. The matter could be remedied if the mail was sorted on the 3,000 mile journey from the East.

The motion passed and will be referred to the city's representatives in the Commons.

The meeting then adjourned.

THE PROMENADE CONCERT.

Splendid Regimental Band Programme at Drill Hall This Evening.

Bandmaster Finn has prepared an especially attractive programme for tonight's promenade concert. Suppe's overture, "Morning, Noon and Night," is one of the best works of this popular composer. "A Visit to the Minstrels" is a tone picture of old time minstrelsy of thirty years ago. It opens up with the "first part overture," sentimental, and end songs are introduced, then comes the song and dance, followed by the old time clog dances and concluding with the 'Waltz Around. "Reminiscences of Ireland," introduces solos for piccolo, clarinet and cornet, the melody, "St. Patrick Was a Gentleman," being treated with variations. "Colosus" is a fine march by Barnhouse. "Dolly Varden" is one of the late musical comedy successes by Julian Edwards. Edwards, though a young man, has written "The Royal Rogue" "The Jully Musketeer, and "Princess Chic." The basketball game between Fernwood and Victoria West will decide the standing of the league teams, for if Victoria West should defeat Fernwood, it will make the J. B. A. A. five the winners of the series. The teams are evenly matched, and a good contest may be anticipated.

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ODD INDIAN CARVING.

One of the three thousand archaeological specimens presented to the York County Society by Robert C. Blair, of York, Pa., is a rare and curious specimen of wood carving which was found on one of the Isles of Promise, in the Susquehanna river, opposite Little Washington.

This specimen is the figure of an Indian head carved from the root of a sycamore tree, and is about one-half life-size; the nose, eyes, ears, lips and chin, and even the headdress of feathers that surmounts the features are all well defined.

When it is considered that crude tools of stone must have been used in producing the figure it is to be wondered how the carver succeeded so cleverly reproducing in wood the facial characteristics of the Indian. The effects of time have reduced the carving to the weight and consistency of pulp.

The island upon which the head was found is rich in archaeological treasures, but this is the rarest and most valuable ever found there.

One can hardly be quite certain that one of the fashions of this season will not be to wear the red button of semi-teetotalism.—Court Journal.

The present time is an age of publicity, when everyone is interested in his neighbor's business, and a public character of any kind, from an archbishop to a music-hall artiste, gets as much notice as the most morbid craving for notoriety can desire. The art of letter-writing is extinct, but the congratulatory telegram and postcard have become a craze and a nuisance.—Daily Chronicle.

In these days when the Executive proposes to itself no higher ambition than "to muddle through somehow," and when the people's representatives in parliament are content to be entirely subservient to the Executive, the fancy even of a Liberal politician may be excused for turning sometimes—in moments when ends seem more important than means—to the unrealized potentialities of the Throne.—Daily Chronicle.

Pimples, blotches and all other spring troubles are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla—the most effective of all spring medicines.

Joey—Uncle Joe, what is an optimist—and a pessimist?

Uncle Joe—An optimist, Joey, is a man who can act happy when hme feels miserable, and a pessimist is a man who can act miserable when he feels happy. —Detroit Free Press.

A Remarkable Case.

TOLD BY MR. ORLIN POST, OF GRUMIDGE, MANITOBA.

Suffered Greatly for Five Years From Rheumatism—Doctors and Many Medicines Failed to Help Him, But He Got the Right Medicine at Last.

From the Echo, Dominion City, Man.

Recently while chatting with a reporter of the Echo, Mr. Orin Post, a well known farmer of Grumidge, Man., gave the following story of five years of great suffering from that most painful of diseases—rheumatism. Mr. Post said: "There are few people, unless they have been similarly afflicted, can understand how much I suffered during those five years from the pains of rheumatism. There were times when I was wholly unable to do any work, and to merely attempt to move my limbs caused the greatest agony. I tried several doctors but they seemed quite unable to cure me. Then I tried several advertised medicines, that were highly recommended for this trouble, but they also failed to bring the longed for release from pain. As these medicines failed me one after the other, I began to look upon the trouble as incurable, and was almost in despair. At this time some friends asked me why I did not try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I decided to make at least one more effort to obtain a cure. I know my case was not only a severe one, but from the failure of other medicines a stubborn one, and I determined that the pills should have a fair trial, so I bought a dozen boxes. I took them according to directions, and before they were gone there was a great improvement in my condition, but I was not fully cured. I then got another half dozen boxes, and by the time the third of them were emptied I had not an ache or a pain left, and was able to do a good hard day's work without feeling any of the torture that had for five years made my life miserable. You may say for me that I do not think there is any medicine in the world can equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as a cure for rheumatism. It is several years since my cure was effected, and as I have never since had the least sign of the trouble, I think I can speak with authority."

When such severe cases as this are entirely cured, it is not surprising that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have made such a great reputation throughout the world for the cure of other diseases due to poor or watery blood. Paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, anaemia, consumption, dyspepsia, palpitation of the heart, nervous headache, female ailments and neuralgia are among the other troubles they have cured in thousands of cases. Only the genuine pill will cure—substitutes never cured anything—and to avoid substitutes you must see that the full name, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People" is on the wrapper around every box. These pills are sold by all dealers in medicine, or will be sent post free at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

In the matter of the application of Albert Edward Todd for a Certificate of Indefeasible Title to part 5 22-100 acres of Section Sixty-Eight (68) Victoria District, delineated on the Map or Plan attached to a certain Deed of Conveyance, dated 18th November, 1889, and made between Helen McLean of the one part, and Thomas Earle of the other part.

Notice is hereby given that a Certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above hereditaments will be issued to Albert Edward Todd on the 7th day of May, 1903, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein or in some part thereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., 2nd February, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that I, A. H. Tyson, as Licensee, and I, William Harrison, as holder of Temporary permit, intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting as a Licensing Board for the transfer of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail, upon the premises, the Manhattan Saloon, corner of Yates and Broad streets, to Fred Carne, the younger, or alternatively that instead of such retail license, there may be granted to the said Fred Carne, the younger, as our Transferee, a license pursuant to sub-section 3, section 171, Chap 144.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1903.

(Sgd.) A. H. TYSON.
(Sgd.) WILLIAM HARRISON.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

In the matter of the application of Leon Curtat for a Certificate of Indefeasible Title to Lots Three Hundred and Ninety-Six (396), Six Hundred and Five (605) and Six Hundred and Six (606) Victoria City

Notice is hereby given that a Certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above hereditaments will be issued to Leon Curtat on the 28th day of May, 1903, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein or in some part thereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., 10th February, 1903.

YATES & JAY,
Solicitors for Applicant.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

In the matter of the application of Charles Hayward, for a Certificate of Indefeasible Title to Lot Twelve Hundred and Seventy-Eight (1278) Block Forty-Six (46) Victoria City, having a frontage on Erie street of Sixty (60) feet from Lot Twelve Hundred and Eighty-Nine (1289) in said Block Forty-Six (46), Victoria City.

Notice is hereby given that a Certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above hereditaments will be issued to Charles Hayward on the 7th day of May, 1903, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein or in some part thereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

FELL & GREGORY,
Solicitors for Chas. Hayward.

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Esquimalt Is To Remain

Department Decides Not to Expropriate Land Occupied by Town.

Firing of Big Guns on Signal Hill Will Damage Property.

Rumors have been rife for many years that the neck of land commencing at the Eastern boundary of the Canteen grounds and including all the intervening territory up to the Western limits of the deckyard, would be expropriated for military purposes, under the Imperial scheme of defence of the naval arsenal and station at Esquimalt. At various times officers have expressed the opinion that the acquisition of this land would be inevitable, it being necessary to guard the approaches to the heavy guns placed on Signal Hill. As the scheme of defence embraces an increase in the garrison and the armament, it was considered that a cordon would be established around the small peninsula on which Esquimalt is situated, and extending up to the Eastern boundary of the Canteen grounds. Color was lent to this view of the subject by explicit announcements in the ministerial press that the expropriation measures above outlined would be adopted. These rumors, apparently well founded, had a marked tendency to discourage any buildings being constructed by owners of property within the town of Esquimalt. The intention of the War Department to put 9.2 guns on Signal Hill has practically rendered the property valueless from a residential aspect. These property holders had every reason to expect that expropriation proceedings would be instituted without delay. It has been no secret that the land has been surveyed under instructions from the Dominion government, and also that an appraiser has been appointed to fix the land values so soon as the survey shall have been completed. Recently Col. L. T. Pinault, deputy minister of militia and defence, visited Esquimalt, and looked carefully over the ground with a view of ascertaining the amount of land which would be necessary to immediately acquire. As a result of his inspection, he arrived at the conclusion that, in view of the limited appropriation at the disposal of the government, it was not imperative to acquire the land West of St. Paul's church. However, the matter was not definitely determined until he should report to the Minister of Militia. In the meantime negotiations have been carried on with various property holders with the object of ascertaining what terms for sale would be accepted by them. These negotiations have come to an abrupt termination by the receipt of a letter from Lieut.-Col. Pinault, that it has been decided not to purchase the lands under consideration. The property holders, as a consequence, are thus obliged to have their holdings depreciated by the firing of monster guns from Signal Hill with all the attendant danger of premature explosions, rendering the property practically uninhabitable. Of course the shells will be fired at a lofty altitude and the guns will be trained seawards, but this will not minimize the discomforts and dangers due to heavy detonations and premature explosions. Under these circumstances it is believed that the property owners suffering from the measures of defence now being established will seek redress by having recourse to the Exchequer Court in an effort to recover adequate compensation for the damage sustained by their realty in Esquimalt.

PERSONALS.

G. A. Smith came down from Alberni yesterday and is staying at the Dominion.

F. H. Holmes arrived here from Alberni yesterday, and is staying at the Dominion.

G. Wilkin of San Francisco; J. Collins and C. H. Cobb of Seattle, are also staying at the Driard.

J. C. English came over from Vancouver last night on the Charmer, and is amongst the guests at the Driard.

The following registered at the Victoria: C. F. Armond of St. Paul; A. E. Tye and W. W. Boultbee of Vancouver.

J. D. McMillan, who came down from Atlin to undergo an operation on one of his eyes, is staying at the Dominion.

A. Whyte of New Westminster, was a passenger on the Charmer from Vancouver last night, and is staying at the Driard.

Mrs. Sydney Smith, wife of the C. P. R. agent at Pentiton, who has been on a visit to the Coast, left for home on this morning's boat.

The following are amongst the guests registered at the Vernon: C. Davis of Niagara Falls; H. H. Carroll, of Los Angeles; W. A. Cutler of Vancouver.

The following are among those registered at the Dominion: W. Brazell and wife from Vancouver; W. A. Hinton of Montreal, and Miss Patterson of Nanaimo.

W. Thompson of Hardie & Thompson, of Vancouver, returned home by the steamer Charmer this morning after having secured a large order for machinery for the new lumber mill to be established at Sidney.

W. A. Wadhams and W. C. McDonald, Skeena river cannerymen, were successful yesterday in passing examinations as master mariners, and both cannerymen are now captains, and as such are entitled to run their cannery steamers to the North.

THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, March 13.—8 p.m.

SYNOPSIS.

The barometric pressure is slowly giving way over this province while throughout the American Pacific Slope the barometer is abnormally low and the weather mild and rainy. At Cape Flattery, a strong easterly gale prevails, elsewhere on the Coast the winds are only fresh. The temperature fell considerably below zero in Cariboo, between the ranges and eastward to Manitoba.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	27	38
New Westminster	16	38
Kamloops	—4	16
Barkerville	—16	10
Dawson	—8	20
Calgary	—24	4
Winnipeg	2	16
Portland, Ore	36	40
San Francisco	50	56

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time) Saturday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Fresh or strong winds chiefly easterly, becoming unsettled with rain tonight or on Sunday.

Lower Mainland: Winds chiefly northerly or easterly, becoming unsettled with rain tonight or on Sunday.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 13.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 p.m.	28	Mean	33
Noon	33	Highest	38
5 p.m.	37	Lowest	27

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... 10 miles north.
Noon ..... 12 northeast.
5 p.m. ..... 10 northeast.

Average state of weather—Fair.
Sunshine—8 hours, 36 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed 30.012
Corrected 30.050

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected 29.96

PASSENGERS.

Passengers per steamer Charmer from Vancouver: R. Loughman, Mrs. Clothier, R. McGregor, C. A. Holland, Mrs. Hampton, A. E. Lye, R. H. Sperling, A. Fraser, Mrs. Hart, Albert Whyte, Francis Clothier, Miss Brazell, W. Goodchild, A. Stewart, R. T. Williams, E. J. Salmon, C. Wrigglesworth, W. Scowcroft, A. W. Semple, E. H. Fletcher and wife, Mi s McCoy, J. E. Church, D. Fair and wife, W. Brazell, Mrs. C. R. Hart, W. W. Moultbee, Geo. Suiki, Walter Taylor, J. Berry, Mr. McIlray, J. C. English, W. A. Cutler, Miss Spence, A. Griffith, Mrs. McIlray.

Passengers per steamer Majestic from the Sound: N. S Clark, R. C. Lontez, Miss White, A. Dequill, R. Coulter, J. W. Ridgway, J. A. Mara, H. R. Bartlett, C. Rafford, Fred. Wright, J. Ireland, J. M. Brown F. J. Pearce, F. Bay, G. T. Pearce, P. A. Watson, Chas Davis, Mrs. Papin and daughter, C. F. Armond, D. H Cobb, Josiah Collins, L. Fischer and wife, F. H. Fatt and wife, Mrs. Webb, Thos. O'Connor, Mrs. Coulter, Jas. Emmons and wife, E. Ramlose and 16 men ex schooner Geo. W. Prescott, Wm. Price, Homer Swaney.

CONSIGNEES.

Consignees per steamer Majestic from the Sound: Wilson Bros., W. Bownass, Albion Iron Works, Hudson's Bay Co., Nesbit Electric Co., Marine Iron Works, Brown & Cooper, Porter & Son, J. A. Anderson, Thos. Plimley, N. Perpas, D. H Ross & Co., Radiger & Janion, B. & K. M H. Co., W. W. Lind, O. B. O mond, W. J. Anderson, E. Wall & Co., Porter & Son, F. R. S. & Co.

To be free from sick headache, biliousness, constipation, etc., use Carter's Little Liver Pills. Strictly vegetable. They gently stimulate the liver and free the stomach from bile.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

A rubber coat or mantle purchased at Hardaker's, is good value. They are direct from the factory and are all new, and how they can be sold at such low prices is the mystery. If it was not for the indisputable and well-known good character of the popular auctioneer, some people might be inclined to say he stole the goods to enable him to sell them at such prices. But he didn't, no, he didn't. ¾

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The snaps at Dixi H. Ross & Co.'s store for today are 22 lbs. of Scotch granulated sugar for $1. It is needless to say that ere the shades of evening close in upon today's daylight, a considerable portion of this sugar will have changed hands. Get in and make hay while the sun shines.

* * *

Smith & Champion, 100 Douglas street, will clean, repair and relay your carpets and make them appear like new, at very reasonable rates. This not only saves your carpets from wear and destruction by dirt, but from a sanitary standpoint all carpets should be lifted and properly cleaned every spring. This is what the good housewife who studies economy and the health of her household, always does.

PRESS COMMENT.

It is certain that if British emigrants are to be attracted to any special country, it will be one where self-government is most highly organized and appreciated, and where a share of its activities will form an accompaniment to industrial and commercial advancement.—Birmingham Daily Post.

The artist tailor makes an American millionaire a garment that is as much a masterpiece of true art as any Psyche, and then the American takes it across the water and hands it to a Yankee tailor to so alter it that all the beauty and grace is destroyed. If artists of the brush have a right to retaliate, surely the artist of the shears has a double claim.—Tailor and Cutter.

In McClure's magazine Miss Ida M. Tarbell gives a painstaking and apparently impartial sketch of Mr. Rockefeller's career, summing up as follows: "Unhampered then by any ethical consideration, he was willing to strain every nerve to obtain for himself special and illegal privileges from railroads, which were bound to ruin every man in the oil business not sharing with him. Religious emotions and sentiments of charity seem to have taken the place in him of notions of justice and regard for the rights of others.—British Weekly.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK MARKETS.

More Cheerful Tone and Prices Take an Upward Tendency.

New York, March 13.—Sentiment took on a more cheerful tone again today in stocks and an upward tendency of prices was in force. The movement was mostly in a few stocks, especially in Wabashes. It had for its principal basis the fact that professional traders found they could bid up prices without being overwhelmed with offerings. This evidence of the cessation of the pressure to liquidate led to the indulgence of a hope that the bank statement tomorrow will be more favorable. The money market was notably calm until 7½ per cent was paid in the last few minutes by belated borrowers.

New York, March 13.—Pig iron, nominal; copper, dull; lead, quiet; tin, weak; straits $30.12½ and $30.50; plates, easy; spelter, quiet.

Chicago, March 13.—The following were the closing prices of futures on the Board of Trade today: Wheat, May, 74⅝; July, 71½ and 71⅝. Corn, March, 45½; May, 47½; July, 44¾ and 44⅞; Sept., 43¾. Oats, March, 34½; May, 35⅛; July, 31⅝ and 31¾; Aug., 29¾; Sept., 28½.

New York, March 13.—Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent, nominal; sterling exchange, about steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86.65 and $4.86.70 for demand, and at $4.83.20 and $4.83.35 for 60 day bills; posted rates, $4.84 and $4.87½; commercial bills, $4.82⅝ and $4.83⅝; bar silver, 49⅛; Mexican dollars, 38½; government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, irregular.

TORONTO MINING EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

(Furnished by The Stuart Robertson Co., Ltd., Mining Brokers, 23 Broad Street.)

Toronto, March 13.—The following were the closing quotations on the Mining Exchange today:

	Asked.	B'd.
Black Tail	7	4
Canadian G. F. S.	4	2½
Cariboo McKinney	17	12
Cariboo Hydraulic	75	
Centre Star	33	28
Deer Trail Con.	2	
Fairview Corp	5½	4½
Giant	3½	2½
Granby Smelter	$5.10	$4.75
Iron Mask	7	
Morning Glory	3	
Morrison	3	
Mountain Lion	15	10
North Star	13	10½
Payne	21	19
Rambler Cariboo Con.	35	27
Republic	7	5
Sullivan	4	
Virtue	8	6
War Eagle Con.	17½	15
White Bear	3	2
Winnipeg	4	
Wonderful	4	
St. Eugene	35	28

TORONTO SALES.

Payne, 2,000 at 20, 500 at 20.
Virtue, 1,500 at 7.

ROSSLAND SALES.

American Boy, 1,000 at 4½.
Payne, 500 at 20.
Rambler, 2,000 at 27½.
War Eagle, 500 at 16.
White Bear, 2,000 at 2½.

STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

(By F. W. Stevenson.)

Chicago, March 13. The following quotations ruled on the Board of Trade today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	75	75⅛	74⅞	74⅝
Corn—				
May	47⅛	47⅜	47	47¼
Oats—				
May	31¾	35⅜	31¾	35⅛
Liverpool Wheat—				
May	6s. 1¾d.			6s. 1¾d.

Car lots received today, Minneapolis, 245; Duluth, 39; Chicago, 9.

New York, March 13.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amal. Copper	74¼	74⅞	73½	73⅝
Amn. Sugar	122½	124½	122½	124½
People's Gas	101⅛	101⅜	101⅛	101⅝
U. S. Steel	37⅝	37½	37¼	37½
U. S. Steel pfd.	86	86½	86	86⅜
Col. F. & I.	63½	64¾	63½	64½
Manhattan	140½	140¾	140½	140⅝
B. R. T.	65¼	65¼	64⅝	64¾
St. Paul	168¼	169	168¼	168¾
Union Pacific	91⅝	92¾	91⅝	91⅞
Louis & Nash	118¼	120¼	118¼	119¾
Sou. Pacific	62½	63⅛	62½	62⅝
Mo. Pacific	108	108⅞	108	108½
C. P. R.	...	...	...	125⅝
Pennsylvania	143⅛	144⅛	143⅛	143¾
Erie	35	36	35	35⅝
Rock Island	43	44	43	43¼
Atchison	81⅝	82½	81⅝	82
Atchison pfd	97⅝	97¾	97⅝	97⅝

Money loaning at from 6 per cent to 7½ per cent.

VICTORIA TIDES.

For the Month of March, 1903.

(Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

The time used is Pacific standard for the 120 Meridian West. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

Date.	Day.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	S.	4:26	7.8	10:28	5.0	16:00	7.3	22:29	4.0
2	M.	4:53	7.9	11:18	4.6	17:10	7.0	23:06	4.0
3	Tu.	5:22	8.0	12:13	4.1	18:24	6.7	23:40	5.2
4	W.	5:53	8.2	13:12	3.6	20:02	6.4		
5	Th.	0:10	5.8	6:26	8.2	14:14	3.1	21:48	6.4
6	F.	0:32	6.3	7:01	8.4	15:13	2.7		
7	Sa.	..		7:40	8.4	16:10	2.4		
8	Su.	..		8:33	8.3	17:05	2.1		
9	M.	2:40	7.3	4:51	7.1	9:50	8.2	17:58	2.0
10	Tu.	2:54	7.3	6:05	6.8	11:14	8.0	18:48	2.1
11	W.	2:36	7.4	7:04	6.2	12:25	7.9	19:35	2.3
12	Th.	2:43	7.6	7:59	5.5	13:32	7.8	20:19	2.7
13	F.	2:56	7.7	8:50	4.8	14:36	7.6	21:00	3.3
14	Sa.	3:14	7.9	9:37	4.3	15:39	7.4	21:39	3.9
15	S.	3:36	8.0	10:23	3.8	16:42	7.1	22:17	4.6
16	M.	4:02	8.1	11:12	3.4	17:49	6.8	22:55	5.3
17	Tu.	4:33	8.0	12:03	3.2	19:14	6.6	23:34	6.0
18	W.	5:06	7.9	13:00	3.1	21:33	6.6		
19	Th.	0:16	6.5	5:36	7.7	14:00	3.1		
20	F.	..		5:58	7.5	15:02	3.0		
21	Sa.	1:30	7.3			15:59	3.1		
22	S.	2:20	7.3			16:51	3.1		
23	M.	2:43	7.3			17:38	3.2		
24	Tu.	2:53	7.2	7:32	6.6	11:03	6.8	18:21	3.2
25	W.	2:16	7.1	7:26	6.1	12:08	6.9	19:01	3.3
26	Th.	2:10	7.2	7:46	5.6	13:06	7.0	19:38	3.5
27	F.	2:12	7.3	8:12	5.0	14:01	7.1	20:14	3.7
28	Sa.	2.28	7.5	8:44	4.4	14:55	7.2	20:49	4.0
29	S.	2:51	7.7	9:22	3.8	15:48	7.2	21:25	4.5
30	M.	3:17	7.9	10:05	3.2	16:42	7.1	22:02	5.0
31	Tu.	3:45	8.1	10:53	2.7	17:42	7.0	22:41	5.5

For time of low water, add 17 minutes to L. W. at Victoria.

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Esquimalt (at Dry Dock)—From observations during six months, May to October, compared with simultaneous observations continued at Victoria by Mr. F. N. Denison.

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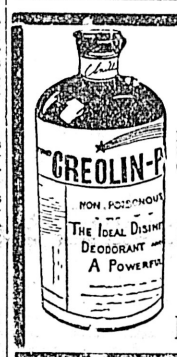

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THE CRIME OF HIGH TREASON

Wonderfully Eloquent Words at the Sentencing of Lynch the Traitor.

When Mr. Justice Wills pronounced sentence on Arthur Lynch, the traitor, on January 23, his impressive words on patriotism and the crime of treason are worthy of preserving:

First the crier made his quaint proclamation for silence in court while sentence of death was being pronounced.

Simultaneously each judge put on his black cap. As they sat there, their foreheads shrouded by these terrible little squares of cloth, they looked as though they had come straight out of the fifteenth century, when the King's justices had to quell turbulent traitors in real earnest or see their country die. The silence deepened, and prisoner and court waited in expectancy for Lord Alverstone to speak.

There was a general movement of surprise when, instead of the Lord Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Wills turned himself square to the dock and pronounced sentence.

But surprise gave place to intense emotion as the address of the learned judge proceeded. It is useless to pretend that all eyes were riveted upon the prisoner. A curious smile lingered over his features when the judge began. But the smile deepened into the gravity that was common to the whole assembly as Sir Alfred Wills proceeded.

His words were beautiful and they were very beautifully spoken, in accents at once so low and so silvery in their clearness that they carried to the furthest end of the court. The venerable face of the judge assumed no look of forced sternness. Rather his look was sorrowful, even compassionate, as he spoke in trembling tones of the duty that a man should owe to this England of ours, so slow to punish, so long-suffering.

It was a voice that spoke not to one poor prisoner alone, but "urbi et orbi"—the voice of England.

Thus he began:

"Arthur Alfred Lynch, otherwise Arthur Lynch, the jury have found you guilty of the crime of high treason.

"If everyone who disapproved of the foreign and domestic policy of the country was to consider himself at liberty to take up arms against her and to join her enemies, the foundations of civilized society would be gone, and violence and anarchy would take the place of order. The misdeeds which have brought you to the lamentable pass in which you stand must surely convince the most sceptical and apathetic of the gravity as well as of the reality of the crime.

"What was your action in the darkest hours of your country's fortunes, when she was engaged in the deadly struggle from which she has just emerged? You joined the ranks of your country's foes. Born in Australia—a land which has nobly shown its devotion to the parent country and the race from which her sons have sprung—you have indeed taken a different course from that which has been adopted by her sons.

"You have fought against your country, not with it. You have sought as far as you could to dethrone Great Britain from her place among the nations, to make her name a by-word and a reproach, a synonym for weakness and irresolution.

"Nor can I forget that you have shed the blood, or done your best to shed the blood of your countrymen who were fighting for their country and not against it. How many wives may have been made widows, how many children have been made orphans by what you and those who acted under your command have done, Heaven only knows. No one on earth will ever know.

"You thought it safe at that dark hour of the Empire's fate when Ladysmith, when Kimberley, when Mafeking were in the very jaws of deadly peril—you thought it safe, no doubt, to lift the parricidal hand against your country. You thought she would shrink from the costly struggle in which she was engaged, and that she would be wearied with the gigantic efforts which she put forth, and that at the worst a general peace would be made which would comprehend a general amnesty which would cover up such acts as yours and save you from personal peril.

"You misjudged your country; you failed to appreciate that though slow to enter into a quarrel, however slow to take up arms, it has yet been her wont that in the quarrel she shall bear herself so that the opposer may beware of her, and that she is seldom so dangerous to her enemies as when the hour of national calamity has raised the dormant energies of her people, knit together every nerve and fibre of the body politic, and is, with her sons, determined to do all, to bear all, to sacrifice all on behalf of the country that gave them birth."

"And against what a sovereign and what a country did you lift your hand?

"A sovereign the best beloved and the most deeply honored of all the long line of English and British kings and queens, and whose lamented death only yesterday was called back to our remembrance as a fresh sorrow in many an English household.

"Against a country which has been the home of progress and of freedom, and under whose beneficent sway whenever you have chosen to stay within her dominions you have enjoyed a liberty of person, a freedom of speech and action such as you can in no other country in Europe, and it is not too much to say, in no other country in the world.

"The only, I will not say excuse, but palliation that I can find for conduct like yours is that it has been for some years past the fashion to treat lightly matters of this kind, so that men have perhaps been encouraged to play with sedition and to toy with treason.

"Wrapped in a certain proud consciousness of strength, begotten of deep-seated and well-founded conviction that the loyalty of her people is supreme and true, authority in this country has slumbered or has treated with contemptuous indifference speeches and acts of sedition. It may be that you have been misled into the notion that no matter what you do so long as your conduct could be called a political crime, it was of no consequence what you did.

"But it is one thing to talk sedition and to do small seditious acts. It is quite another thing to bear arms in the ranks of the foes of your country against that country.

"Had you and those with whom you associated yourself succeeded, what fatal mischief might have been done to the great inheritance which has been bequeathed to us by our forefathers—an inheritance of power which it must be our work to use nobly and for good things, an inheritance of influence which will be of little effect even for good unless backed by power, and of duty which cannot effectually be performed if our power were shattered and our influence impaired.

"He who has attempted to do his country such irreparable wrong must be prepared to submit to the sentence which it is now my duty to pronounce upon you."

The learned judge then pronounced sentence of death in the usual form, leaving out the formula customary at the end—"and may the Lord have mercy upon your soul." In the same way, no chaplain took his stand upon the bench while the death sentence was being pronounced.

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"People who believe that when the manager of a great railway system decides to place a new train in service, all he has to do is to push a few buttons, give an order or two to get out some surplus equipment, and the thing is done, would be undeceived in short order if they could spend a few days in this building," remarked a railway official yesterday.

It was announced last Sunday morning that the Great Northern would put on a new train between St. Paul and the coast. The order for the train was not signed by the general manager until late Saturday evening, which left only a week to prepare for the service.

Every department of the general management of the road was put to work on the details of the new train service. Hundreds of employees in St. Paul and scattered between St. Paul and the coast were set to work. The fifty-two traveling and immigration agents had to be supplied with literature advertising the new train, for business for the new service would depend largely upon the work of the traveling agents.

There will be eight fully equipped trains instead of one. St. Paul and Seattle are fully 2,000 miles apart, and it takes a train about sixty hours to run that distance. But a train has to start from St. Paul at the same hour every day, so by the time the first train reaches the coast there will be two other trains just like following a day apart. A train must start from Seattle every day, and when the first train from the coast reaches St. Paul there will be two other trains a day apart between here and Seattle. That means there will be six trains in motion all the time. But a train cannot be started back on the 2,000-mile journey as soon as it reaches one end of the line, so there is a full train at each end of the line all the time, being overlooked by car inspectors, and cleaned by the car cleaners. All this week the company has been taking extra cars toward the coast, attaching them to the regular trains or sending them forward as extras, to have enough equipment at Seattle for Eastbound trains.

MINERAL PRODUCTION.

Summary for 1902 by Official of Geological Survey.

Notwithstanding the most gratifying increase in the total value of the production of non-metallic minerals, the grand total of the value of the production of all the mineral industries of Canada, shows a falling off of 2.61 per cent. This is due not merely to the decrease in the Yukon output of gold of $3,500,000, but also to the very considerable falling off in values of all the remaining metallic minerals other than nickel. But for the large growth of the coal and coke industry, helped by increases in many of the other non-metallic products, the decrease in the grand total on account of the metallic class would have amounted to nearly 10 per cent. The total of the production of the metallic products, shows a falling off of over 15 per cent, as compared with the equivalent figures for 1901, whilst the non-metallic class shows an increase of over 20 per cent in a similar comparison.

In regard to their relative importance the metallic industries as a group, still occupy the most important place, although not leading to the extent they did in former years. They contributed about 55 per cent of the whole, the non-metallic following with nearly 33 per cent, and the structural class with nearly 12 per cent. Grouping the metalliferous class with coal and coke, about 81 per cent of the value is accounted for.

Metallic	Quantity. (a)	Value. (a)
Copper (b) ..... Lbs.	39,168,202	$4,553,695
Gold, Yukon $14,500,000		
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.....		20,741,245
Iron ore (ex).. Tons.	428,901	1,065,919
Pig iron from Canadian ore.. Tons	71,665	1,043,011
Lead (c) ..... Lbs.	23,000,000	925,870
Nickel (d) ..... Lbs.	10,693,410	5,025,903
Silver (e) ..... Oz.	4,373,000	2,280,937
Zinc .... Lbs.	166,700	8,368
Total metallic ..		$35,653,768
Total non-metallic		$29,016,954
Estimated value of mineral products not returned		300,000
Total for 1902		$64,970,722

This total compares with $66,719,768 in 1901; $64,505,137 in 1900, and $49,584,027 in 1899.

Thrilling Tale Of the Seas

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thing they could lay their hands on in order to lighten the vessel. The masts were cut away; the stumps alone being left when the vessel righted and the entangled rigging and gear was cut away, and washed seaward. Forward the anchor chains had fouled when the vessel capsized and righted and they were sawing away the bow. As they grated when the vessel labored, cutting into the timbers it was but a matter of time when they would cut a hole that would have foundered the vessel.

William Hallgren was injured in endeavoring to cut away this fouled chain. He was chopping at the chain and fouled gear when a heavy sea swept over the broken vessel, and he grasped the chain to prevent himself being washed overboard—he having a narrow escape from going. His fingers were caught between the pole-bit and the broken bow and two of them were smashed. Notwithstanding the pain from his injured fingers, he continued his work to free the schooner, and managed to break the chain.

The schooner was by this time in a bad way. The masts had gone, and it was lucky that they did go, for had they remained the schooner would scarcely have righted herself. Both had been snapped off within a short distance of the deck. The stanchions and rail had been carried away, bulwarks completely gone on both sides, the decks broken, and the bowsprit carried away—in fact, the schooner was left a hopeless waterlogged derelict, about two-thirds full of water, with the unfortunate sealers clinging hopelessly to her deck, cutting her free of the wreckage which fouled her. Some were standing waist deep in the water endeavoring to get some of the ballast out, and throw what they could from the vessel, for it seemed as though she must founder unless she was lightened.

The night was fortunately a moonlight one, for had it been a dark clouded night, the unfortunates would have been in an even worse plight. They endeavored to get their pump working, but the pump handle had gone when the sea swept everything from her deck. Gullin grabbed a double barrelled shot gun and thrust it into the pump shaft, but the barrel broke and the gun was useless as a handle. Finally they found an axe handle, which served and some Indians were got to work at the pumps.

Cutting wreckage away, pumping, shifting ballast, jettisoning gear, working as hard as they could, and at the same time suffering severely in the cold wind, their clothes wet continually, for the seas continued to break over the craft, the shipwrecked men spent a bad night. It was not until 9 o'clock next morning that they had pumped the schooner fairly free, and it was not until two hours later that they had finished cutting away the wreckage. Only six of the 17 had assisted in the hard fight, for Tommy Billy and Jackson were the only Indians who worked, the other Siwashes had a "sick tum-tum" and huddled up together in their terror.

Their coal oil had been lost, but they had saved some lard and using this they made torches in readiness to make signals to any passing vessel that might be sighted. There was not sufficient of the masts standing to fly a distress signal, but Gullin managed to brace up three oars in an upright position, from which next day the Union Jack was flown upside down—the distress signal which brings rescue when it is seen. About 3 o'clock on Wednesday morning, 26 hours after the wreck of the schooner, the men on the lookout shouted that they saw a light, and the lard torches were flared. The shipwrecked crew, all excited, stood on the decks seeing that the torches burned, watching the lights of the vessel, which was soon seen to be a sailing vessel, but she swerved off and they failed to make her see their signals.

An hour later they were again disappointed. They sighted the lights of a steamer, seemingly bearing directly toward them, and again their torches were lit. The steamer's lights were seen plainly as she came up, and then she steamed past, without paying any attention to the flaring torches. Then hope was about abandoned. Shivering with cold, the unfortunates began to think it was but a matter of time, and the end would come. With the dawn came an abatement of the gale, but the sealers were men with little hope. If the weather continued fine, they might rig a jury rig and work the schooner into the beach, which was a bad beach at its best.

This was the situation at 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning when another steamer was seen bearing directly toward them. The derelict was right in the steamer's path. The three oars were braced up, and the Jack flown upside down. Closely they watched the oncoming steamer to see if the signal had been seen, and then to their great joy, they saw, as the steamer approached, that men were working at the davits. Yes, they were lowering a boat. Rescue was at hand. The steamer was the Conemaugh, bound from San Francisco to Seattle and the officers sent a boat to the wreck.

The siwashes packed together their "ictas"—and as later events proved, more than their ictas, and the four white sealers gathered the sextants, instruments and what few belongings they could, but their savings were very little, for besides the sextant, and compass, their salvage amounted to little more than the clothes they stood up in. Each of the siwashes had his bundle, and the steamer's boat took them over to the Conemaugh. The boat's crew then bored holes in the vessel so that she would sink, for the derelict was right in the path of steamers bound up and down the coast. On board the steamer the shipwrecked men were treated with every courtesy, and they are profuse in their praise of the officers of the Conemaugh.

Capt. Emil Ramlose said when the crew landed from the Majestic yesterday, scarred and battered looking, that he had given up all hope when he was swept overboard, and tried to drown when he saw the wrecked state of the vessel. He said: "I was standing at the wheel, when some great seas broke right under the port side, all along the schooner, and over she went, turning turtle. I was thrown overboard and the wheel broke off, and I held it in my hands when I was in the water. Three Indians were on deck with me and they all went into the sea. If the others had been on deck they would have gone too.

"I came up about 70 yards to windward of the schooner, and when I saw the vessel I thought it was all off. Her masts had been broken away. It was lucky that they were or she would never have righted. Her bulwarks were swept clean off, and she was almost level with the water, her port side being underneath the surface. It looked as if she was sinking, and I didn't want to go back on board to drown amongst that jabbering crowd of Indians, so I threw up my hands and let myself go down.

"I tried to swallow water as I went, to get it over with. I went down and then came up, and I went down again. As I sank the second time—I had given up all efforts to save myself—I felt a piece of wire rigging. The moment my hand came in contact with the wire it was like an electric shock. It woke me up and I felt that I must cling for all I was worth to that wire. I did so and worked myself to the bow of the vessel. There was a lot of loose wreckage jarring about there, and I got hurt more or less, but I held on, and after some time an Indian looked over and saw me and he hauled me on deck.

"Then I went to work with the others to cut away the wreckage. We had to keep going. Hallgren got his fingers smashed but he worked on, and Gullin had been knocked on the head by the stove and was dazed, but he was working away, although he did not know what he was doing for a couple of hours. There were two Indians, Jackson, whose brother was lost, and Tommy Billy of Alberni, who worked well, but the others lost their "tum-tum" and were no good. We were 29 hours on the schooner—and it was far from a pleasant time. We saw two or three schooners just before the big blow in which our vessel was wrecked, and I am afraid that the Annie E. Paint would be caught in that gale of wind. There was a steamer coming into it, too, I think it was the Queen, but she turned and ran back."

The schooner had a catch of 81 skins when she was lost, and when the shipwrecked crew were landed in Seattle at 10 o'clock on Thursday, when they advised C. S. Baxter by wire of the wreck, they thought the total number had been lost, but soon after they landed from the Majestic they found they had 29 skins. The Indians—at least some of them—had tried to steal that 29 skins, together with the compass, and some minor articles. When the Conemaugh's boat approached the schooner to take off the shipwrecked men the Indians had loaded up their dunnage bags, and having surreptitiously saved some of the skins when the others were working to keep the derelict free, they hid the skins in their bundles.

At Seattle some of the whites listened to the "wawa" of the siwashes, and an inkling was obtained that some skins were probably hidden in the bundles. When the effects were landed they were carted up by an express and the Indians went with them. Then the white men went through the bags while the Indians stood by. Bag after bag was opened and the owner would hold out that there were no skins in it, but there were usually, and often other things, valuable and valueless. One fellow had the compass and half a dozen skins, and he was quite indignant when his loot was taken from him. He wanted to know who was going to pay him for getting his shoes torn in the wreck. He ought to have had the compass and half a dozen skins to pay for those shoes, he thought, but the sealers didn't.

The schooner was owned by several Victorians, including Messrs. Matheson, Peddle, V. Gullin and C. S. Baxter. Emil Ramlose had a mortgage on the vessel. She was valued at between $5,000 and $6,000, about the latter figure with her outfit. There was $2,000 insurance on the schooner and $2,000 on the outfit. The skins were not insured.

DOINGS AT DUNCANS.

Developments at the Richard III. Mine Make Satisfactory Progress

Duncans, March 12.—Several of the owners of the Richard III. mine visited that property today and were very highly gratified at the prospects. Development work has been steadily prosecuted on this property for the past four months, and a 4x8 (in clear) well-timbered two-compartment shaft, has been sunk 300 feet, stations have been installed at the 160-foot level and drifting is now being pushed along the strike of the lead. Ore has been encountered in the shaft, but the best strike of all was made by the night shift. Last night a strong body of rich ore was encountered in the West drift from 18 inches to 2 feet wide. The ore is identical with the rich ore in the adjoining Tyee and Lenora mines, and proves the continuity of the very rich ore bodies. Crosscuts will now be driven to prove the width of this new strike. The gentlemen brought about a 100-pound chunk as a sample, which is now on exhibition in their office at Duncans. It should not be long now before this property will be a shipping mine.

There is no cessation of work at the Tyee. A big force of men are rushing ore to the surface at the rate of 130 tons a day, and the aerial tramway is rolling it down the mountain to the railway. From present indications, mining on this end of the Island will move very rapidly this year.

NEW YORK TRAGEDY.

Woman Found With Fractured Skull Lying on Street.

New York, March 11.—Detectives of the West Thirtieth street station are much mystified over the finding of the body of a young white woman lying at the foot of the stairs leading to a billiard room, owned and patronized by negroes, on the second floor of 104 Thirtieth street. The woman was of good appearance and well dressed. A surgeon who examined the body said death was due to a fracture of the base of the skull. There was blood upon the stairs leading to the club room, as though the woman had either been thrown down or had tried to drag herself up after she was hurt. Thirteen colored men who were in the club rooms were taken to the station house, and four of them were locked up on suspicion of knowing something of the manner in which the woman came to her death.

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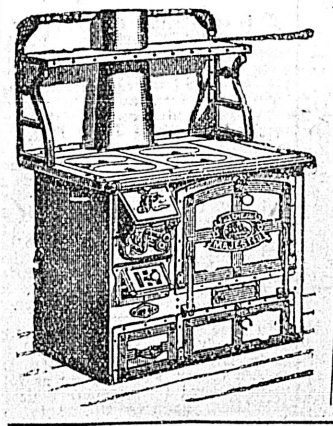

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